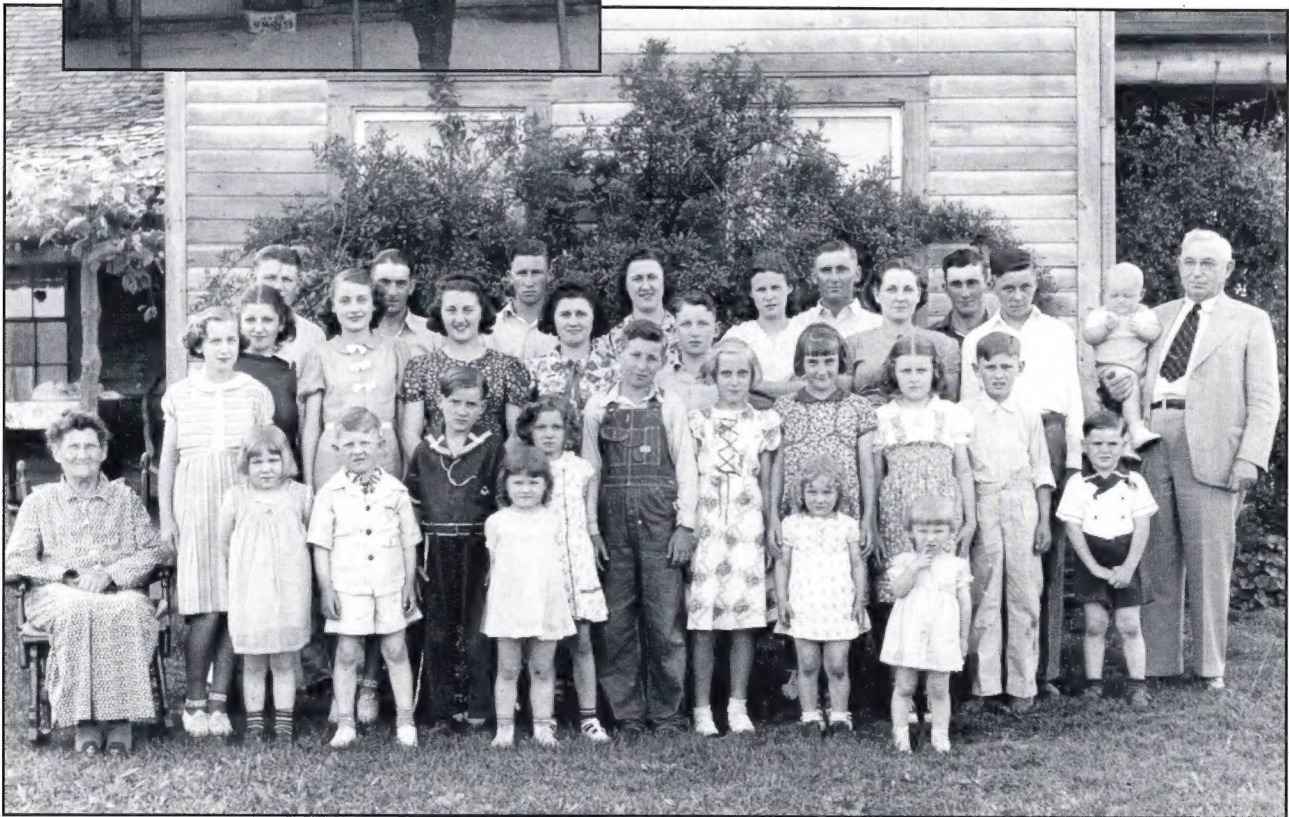


# FAMILIES



F.L. Ulrich on southside of P'ville Square (father of George Ulrich).



Bigham Family circa 1938. (l. to r.) Chair: Mattie Kelly Bigham, wife of W. S. Bigham. Back row: Winton Bigham, Russell N. Bigham, Ralph Galloway, Ernestine Galloway McQuen, Irma L. Bigham Maddy, Leroy L. Bigham, and Elvis R. Bigham. Third row: Velma Lee Bigham Hopp, Bessie Fern Bigham Rheineker, Lois D. Bigham Jenkle, Mildred Galloway Kunkel, Roy Deon Bigham, Irene Bigham Schmidt, Ralph Galloway, Dr. James Scott Templeton, holding Wayne Bigham. Second row: Beulah Bigham Hamm, Elmer E. Bigham, Ruby Galloway Rodewald, Lloyd R. Bigham, Blanche B. Bigham West, Rebecca J. Bigham Lynch, Margaret Bigham Lechy, and Orel E. Bigham. Front row: Opal M. Bigham, Orville R. Bigham, Nela June Bigham Kohlsdor, Carolyn F. Bigham Jewell, Carrol Sue Bigham Hawkins, and Glen A. Bigham. All the children pictured above were delivered by Dr. J. S. Templeton.



## ADAMS-ROBB

Paul Thomas Adams was born 14 October 1941 in West Frankfort, Illinois. He was the eighth child of Raymond Hubert and Effie (Lee) Adams. When Paul was about the age of six, his father died of a heart attack. Paul had six brothers and four sisters. When Paul reached the age of seven years old, the state placed Paul and his brothers and sisters in foster parents homes throughout southern Illinois. Paul became the son of Harris and Dorothy (Woodside) Birchler. They were good parents to him and his sister, Letha. He was also raised with four other boys and three girls. They were raised on a dairy, chicken and grain farm near Cutler, Illinois on the Perry and Randolph County Line Road. Paul attended Sparta Grade and High School.



Paul T. Adams Family

On 16 June 1962 he married Joan Lucille Robb born 30 July 1943 daughter of James Henry and Thelma Lucille (Miller) Robb. Joan was raised on a dairy and grain farm near Swanwick, Illinois on Columbine Road. She attended Swanwick Grade School and graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1962.

To their union were born three children: Raymond James Adams, 13 May 1963, Paula Joan, 27 June 1964. She married David Wayne Lynch, 3 December 1962 on 25 June 1988. Paul Thomas Adams II was born 4 June 1974.

Paul started his employment with the State of Illinois on 15 August 1966 at Stateville Correctional Center as a correctional guard. He moved his family to Stateville

He moved his family to Stateville Trailer Court near Lockport, Illinois on 13 May 1967. He worked at Stateville Correctional Center for almost twelve years. He transferred to Logan Correctional Center on 1 May 1978 and moved into Tremont Trailer Court and in June 1982 bought a house on Third Street in Lincoln, Illinois.

When the Springfield Work Camp was opened at Illinois Fair Grounds he was transferred as a Correctional Captain and retired 1 November 1991.

His wife, Joan, worked for Lincoln Developmental Center as a Mental Health Technician II while living in Lincoln.

He and his wife moved back to their forty acre home on Tulip Road near Swanwick and Coulterville, Illinois.

## AHLERS-BENNETT

Hermann Philipp Ahlers born 2 October 1880 at Matthews, Illinois the seventh child of Heinrich and Margaretha (Prediger) Ahlers was married 28 December 1904 to Cora Bennett born 29 March 1876 near Pinckneyville, Illinois a daughter of Joseph and Amanda (Adams) Bennett.

Hermann P. and Cora had four children: Inez, Helen, Elmo and Joe Henry. Hermann P. spent his entire life on the old Ahlers homestead at Matthews where he was born.

Hermann P. died 26 February 1936 at Du Quoin, Illinois and Cora died 3 February 1929 at Pinckneyville, Illinois. They are both buried in Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery. (see Ahlers-Prediger)

Inez born 19 December 1905 at Pinckneyville was married 6 March 1924 at Mt. Vernon Illinois to Arthur Schneider born 19 September 1899 at Du Quoin a son of Julius and Katherine Schneider. They had no children. Arthur died 28 August 1968 at Du Quoin and is buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

Helen born 17 December 1907 at Pinckneyville, Illinois was married 1 December 1940 to Casper Eisenhauer born 8 June 1900, a son of Jacob and Anna (Horn) Eisenhauer. They had no children. Casper died 13 November 1968 at Carbondale and Helen died 26 July 1971 at Du Quoin where they are both buried in the Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

Elmo born 15 August 1913 at Pinckneyville was married 4 January 1936 at Nashville, Illinois to Earnestine Pugh born 28 January 1917 at Vergennes, Illinois a daughter of Perry and Lena (Schimpf) Pugh. They are the parents of two children: James Joseph and Billie Jean.

James J. born 30 September 1936 was married 27 June 1959 at Nashville, Illinois to Sandra Hackleman born 23 July 1943 at Du Quoin a daughter of Harold and Elsie (Homer) Hackleman. They have four children: Brett Alan born 30 September 1960 at Du Quoin, James Alan born 14 November 1961 at Du Quoin, Dawn Renee born 1 March 1966 at Du Quoin and Julie Lynn born 23 June 1971 at St. Louis, Missouri.

Billie Jean born 27 January 1938 at Du Quoin was married 19 February 1957 at Port Hueneme California to Michael E. Davis born 19 November 1935 at Du Quoin a son of Jack and Dorothy (Smith) Davis. They are the parents of two sons: Kevin Ray born 17 November 1958 and Mark Edward born 29 October 1962 both at Du Quoin.

Joe Henry born 29 January 1917 at Pinckneyville was married 3 May 1946 to Eva Bird born 15 February 1924 a daughter of Jacob C. and Gertrude (Wolf) Bird. They had one daughter Linda Marie born 23 October 1947 at Pinckneyville who was married 15 February 1962 to James Carlyle Baker born 25 February 1943 a son of James Carlyle and Mary (Maculso) Baker Sr. James and Linda have two children: Robin Marie born 20 January 1963 at Du Quoin and Christopher Michael born 25 March 1972. Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt

## AHLERS-DeWITT

Heinrich Conrad George Ahlers born 24 June 1874, the fourth child of Heinrich and Margaretha (Prediger) Ahlers was married 3 August 1897 at Pinckneyville, Illinois to Carrie DeWitt born 16 January 1879 north of Ava, Illinois a daughter of Robert DeWitt. Carrie joined the Missionary Baptist Church of Matthews in 1915. Heinrich and Carrie had nine children: Lola, Gracie, Hazel, Milton, Eva, Henry, Edward and Carrie M. Heinrich died November 1939 and Carrie died 1 December 1952 at Matthews, Illinois. Both are buried in Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. (see Ahlers-Prediger)

Lola was born 6 January 1898 and died 11 April 1902. Gracie was born 9 December 1900

and died 13 October 1901. They are both buried in the Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville.

Hazel born 7 April 1904 at Matthews was married 19 March 1952 to Walter Russell born 27 December 1905 at Ava. They had no children.

Milton born 10 November 1908 was married to Lessie Milligan born 14 April 1915. Their children are: Delores, Allan Dale, Billy Dean and Alice Fay. Milton died 31 August 1973 and is buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

Henry E. born 3 June 1913 was married 28 July 1938 in Perryville, Missouri to Marie Smith. They had two daughters: Marie Ann who married Larry Schaffer and Ruth who married Gene Hubbard. Henry died 7 July 1971 at Mascoutah, Illinois and is buried in the Mascoutah City Cemetery, Mascoutah, Illinois.

Eva born 13 March 1911 was married 12 January 1935 at Pinckneyville to William Sullivan born 19 February 1906 at Matthews a son of Lawrence and Mary (Heiman) Sullivan. They had no children.

Carrie M. was born and died in October 1914. She is buried in the Galum Cemetery.

Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt

## AHLERS-KLOTZ

William Fredrick Ahlers born 27 November 1869 in Marissa Township St. Clair County, Illinois the second son of Heinrich and Margaretha (Prediger) Ahlers was married in 1895 at Pinckneyville to Paulina Klotz born 25 August 1867 at Freeburg, Illinois a daughter of William F. and Johanna (Weber) Klotz. (see AHLERS-PREDIGER). William Fredrick and Paulina had two daughters: Irma Theora, and Vernice Carletta. William Fredrick died 24 February 1936 at Matthews, Illinois and Paulina died 14 September 1946 at Forrest City, Arkansas.

Irma Theora born 23 August 1897 at Matthews was married 5 June 1921 at Matthews to Clyde McIntyre born 10 January 1897 at Swanwick, Illinois a son of William and Margaret (Redfern) McIntyre. Clyde and Irma had four children: Theora Carlotta buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Patricia A, Clyde William, and Jackie Louise. Clyde died 19 October 1966 at Shreveport, Louisiana and Irma died 9 January 1978 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Patricia A was born 1 September 1926 at Christopher, Illinois. She never married and lives in Baltimore, Maryland.

Clyde William born 23 May 1931 at Carbondale, Illinois was married 17 May 1958 at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania to Claire Schmitt born 28 March 1928 at Philadelphia a daughter of Paul and Clarice Schmitt. Claire was first married to Alvin H. Fisher, Jr. Clyde and Claire have two children: Karen Jeanne (daughter of Claire's previous marriage, adopted by Clyde, born 3 May 1952 at Philadelphia and Keven Scott Keith McIntyre born 25 June 1970 at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

Jackie Louise McIntyre born 10 December 1942 at Joliet, Illinois was married 5 July 1969 at Shreveport, Louisiana to Robert Stafford Hahn born 31 October 1924 at Columbus, Mississippi a son of Aaron and (McDonald) Hahn. They had one child: Andrew Matthew born 3 September 1977.

Vernice Carletta born 9 October 1899 at Matthews was married 24 June 1930 at San Benito, Texas to Leslie Allen Perkins born 23 September



1896 at Shelby, Michigan a son of Benjamin and Wilhelmina (Benson) Perkins. Leslie and Vernice had two children: Allend Dale and Barbara Jean. Leslie died 8 September 1982 and Vernice died 12 October 1996. Both are buried in Mont Meta Memorial Park, San Benito.

Allen Dale Perkins born 19 January 1932 at San Benito, Texas was married 21 July 1956 at Lonoke to Juanita Dean Tedford born 6 July 1930 at Little Rock, Arkansas a daughter of Alfred Burney and Lillie Mae (Baker) Tedford. They have two children: Gregory Allen Perkins born 29 June 1962 at North Little Rock and Randal Leslie Perkins born 22 January 1965 at North Little Rock married Renee and had one child: Jacob Randall born 16 August 1993.

Barbara Jean Perkins born 2 August 1939 at San Benito was married 2 August 1958 at San Benito, to James C Scaief born 18 June 1939 at San Benito a son of James S and Eunice (Clark) Scaief. They had two children: James Clark born 10 September 1959 at Hearne, Texas was married to Kathleen and has one child: Michael Clark born 16 September 1992 and Chrisite Michelle Scaief was born 18 October 1960 at Austin, Texas. James C. and Barbara were divorced 25 October 1974 and Barbara was second married 26 November 1975 to Peter Thexton and has been living in Yardley, Pennsylvania. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## AHLERS-PREDIGER

Heinrich Ahlers born 26 April 1839 a son of Fredrich Wilhelm and Christine (Schultz) Ahlers was married 3 January 1867 in St. Clair County Illinois to Margaretha A. Prediger born 18 January 1850 at Lenzburg, Illinois a daughter of Peter and Nancy (McKahey) Prediger. Heinrich and Margaretha had eight children: Peter Heinrich, William Fredrick, Nancy Christiane, Heinrich Conrad George, Maria Elisabetha, Caroline Margaretha, Herman Philipp, and Mary. This family moved from St. Clair County to the Matthews area of Perry County about 1880. Heinrich died 15 April 1898 and Margaretha died 13 September 1914 at Anna, Illinois. Both are buried in the Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville.

Peter Heinrich born 21 October 1867 in St. Clair County was baptized 16 June 1868 at Trinity Lutheran, Darmstadt, Illinois apparently died young.

William Fredrick Ahlers born 27 November 1869 in Marissa Township, St. Clair County, Illinois was married in 1895 at Pinckneyville to Paulina Klotz born 25 August 1867 at Freeburg, Illinois a daughter of William F. and Johanna (Weber) Klotz. William F. and Paulina had two daughters: Irma Theora, and Vernice Carlotta. William F. died 24 February 1936 at Matthews, Illinois and Pauline died 14 September 1946 at Forrest City, Arkansas. Both are buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Pinckneyville. (see AHLERS-KLOTZ)

Nancy born 22 October 1871 in St. Clair County was married September 1890 in Perry County Illinois to George Alfred Owens born 24 April 1865 in Jackson County a son of Frances and Melissa Owens. Nancy died 13 August 1928 and George died 17 February 1952 both at Du Quoin, Illinois. Both are buried in Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. (see OWENS-AHLERS)

Heinrich Conrad George born 24 June 1874 was married 3 August 1897 at Pinckneyville, Illi-

nois to Carrie DeWitt born 16 January 1879. Carrie joined the Missionary Baptist Church of Matthews in 1915. Heinrich died November 1939 and Carrie died 1 December 1952 at Matthews, Illinois. Both are buried in Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. (see AHLERS-DeWITT)

Maria Elisabeth was born 22 February 1877 and christened 15 April 1877 at Zion Methodist, Lenzburg, Illinois.

Caroline Margaretha was born 7 October 1878 at Lenzburg, Illinois, christened 17 November 1878 at Lenzburg per Du Quoin UCC Church Records and died July 1879 per 1880 Mortality Census in St. Clair County Illinois.

Hermann Philipp born 2 October 1880 at Matthews, Illinois was married 28 December 1904 to Cora Bennett born 29 March 1876 near Pinckneyville, Illinois a daughter of Joseph and Amanda (Adams) Bennett. Cora died 3 February 1929 at Pinckneyville, Illinois and Hermann P. died 26 February 1936 at Du Quoin, Illinois. (see AHLERS-BENNETT)

Mary Ahlers born 31 May 1884 was married 8 March 1904 to William Marshall Horner born 4 July 1882 a son of (Schenk) Horner. Mary died 15 February 1944 and William died 4 May 1948 both in Centralia, Illinois where they are also buried. (see HORNER AHLERS). *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## AMELUNKE-HUTCHINGS

Robert Charles Amelunke was born 18 July 1946 in Gainesville, Alachua County, Florida to Walter Carl and Christine Patricia (Jones) Amelunke. Janet Elaine Hutchings was born 9 August 1947 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois to Bill Clyde and Helen Elsie (Kuhl) Hutchings (article in this book).



*Robert and Janet Amelunke*

Robert and Janet both graduated from the University of Louisville with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Mathematics. They married 20 June 1970 in Louisville, KY. Robert served in the U. S. Army from 1969 to 1971 and is a computer systems engineer. Janet is an amateur genealogist. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## ANDERSON-VINCENT

Homer Clarence Anderson was born 19 December 1892 in Balcom, Illinois. He was the oldest son of Frank Thomas Anderson and Mary Kate (Settlemoir) Anderson. He was a veteran of World War I and worked in the Majestic Mines as a fireman. On 25 December 1920 he married Addie Melinda Vincent (born 19 February 1893) in Dongola, Illinois. Addie was the daughter of Walter and Amanda (Corzine) Vincent. Homer and Addie moved to Du Quoin and resided at 604

South Jefferson Avenue. They raised seven children: (Leland "Leroy," Harold "Wayne," Russell Lowell, Thomas Junior "Dumpy," Glenna Lucille, Mary June and Clifford Eugene).

Leland "Leroy" Anderson (born 3 October 1921) served three years in the army in WWII, stationed in Europe. On 8 May 1948, he married Velma Joanne Larson. Leroy and Velma had five children (Rodney, Brian, Rita, Patricia, and Clark) and lived in East Moline, Illinois. Leroy retired from the John Deere Foundry in East Moline.



*L to R: Homer Anderson, Great-Grand daughter, Robin Moore, and Addie Anderson.*

Russell Lowell Anderson (born 2 January 1924) married Lucille Thompson and had two daughters (Carla Rae and Pamela Jean). This marriage ended in divorce and Russell later married Rachel Thompson DeGrande in September of 1953 and they resided in East Moline, Illinois. Russell was a veteran of WWII and retired from the John Deere Foundry.

Harold "Wayne" Anderson (born 31 December 1922) was a veteran of WWII. He was married to Betty Frank around 1949, but the marriage ended in divorce. Wayne resides in Geneseo, Illinois and retired from the John Deere Foundry. He was a well-known softball player in the Quad Cities in the 1950's.

Glenna Lucille Anderson (born 16 December 1926) married Robert Kelley on 10 November 1948. Glenna and Bob Kelley raised four sons (Robert, Thomas, Billy and Kenneth) and currently reside in Du Quoin at Old Town Estates. Bob and Glenna have seven grandsons and one granddaughter.

Mary June Anderson (born 3 February 1931) married Eugene Beard on 3 October 1948. Mary and Gene Beard raised two daughters (Paula Jean and Kay Lynn). Paula married Bruce Flanigan and they have twins, Matthew and Megan (born 12 August 80). Kay married Gilbert Adams and they have three sons (Colin, born 12 June 1988 and twins Brock and Bennet, born 16 June 1991).

Clifford Eugene Anderson (born 22 September 1929) was a graduate of Du Quoin High School and SIU with a BS and MS degree in Education. He served in the US Army from 1951 to 1953, and is a retired High School Guidance Counselor from Metropolis, Illinois.

Thomas Junior "Dumpy" Anderson (born 4 May 1925) married Peggy June Alvis in 1944. Peggy was the daughter of George and Sarah Jane Alvis. Tom and Peggy Anderson had one daughter, Sherry Lynn (born 16 November 1945). This marriage ended in divorce and Tom later married Elaine Jones Ader on 2 November 1963. Tom lived most of his life in East Moline, Illinois and retired from the John Deere Foundry. He currently resides in Riverside, California with his wife, Elaine. On



14 June 1961, Tom and Peggy's daughter, Sherry Lynn Anderson married Charles "Bub" Lowell Moore (son of Claude and Lola Ehler Moore of Tamaroa). Charlie and Sherry Moore had one daughter, Robin Lee (born 2 February 1962). Charlie and Sherry's marriage ended in divorce on 3 April 1972. Sherry currently resides in Tamaroa and spends her life being a dedicated grandmother. Robin Lee Moore graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1980. On 10 October 1987, Robin married David Scott Pierce (son of Scotty and Carolyn Gillis Pierce of Du Quoin). David and Robin Pierce reside in Tamaroa and have three children (James "Devon" Pierce born 8 May 1988, Ian Scott Pierce born 15 January 1993, and Whitney Rachelle Pierce born 28 January 1997. Devon, Ian and Whitney Pierce would be Homer and Addie Anderson's great-great-grandchildren. *Submitted by Robin Pierce*

## ARNETTE-REISINGER-MC CLURKEN

Peter Arnette, a farmer north of Pinckneyville in Perry County, Illinois was born 3 August 1853. He married Samantha Viola Reisinger (born 28 October 1856), daughter of George and Catherine (Viers) Reisinger.



*Samantha Viola (Reisinger) Arnett Mc Clurken.*

Peter and Samantha had three known children: William K. (who married Stella Sherrif in Tamaroa and had three children: Dale, Esther, and Dwight), Lena (who married 1<sup>st</sup> Edward Kelley and 2<sup>nd</sup> Everett Newman), and John I. (who married and had four children: Ray, Mamie, Ira and Bessie).

After Peter's death on 7 September 1894 (buried at Keene Cemetery), Samantha married Don Mc Clurken. There were no children from this marriage although Don had one son, William, from a previous marriage.

Samantha passed away on 10 November 1913 and is buried in the Keene Cemetery with Peter. *Submitted by Violet Kelley Trigg*

## AULD-REEDER

Loretta Ann Reeder was born 7 February 1964 at Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois, the first daughter of Cecil E. Reeder from White County, Enfield, Illinois and Marilyn J. Reeder from Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois. Loretta has one sister, Denise Lynn (Reeder) Burke and one brother, Gregory (Greg) Alan Jones. Loretta graduated Pinckneyville Grade School in 1978 and then attended Pinckneyville Community High School and graduated valedictorian in 1982. She also attended Rend Lake College.

On 18 October, 1980 at Oak Grove Baptist Church, Pinckneyville, she was married to Ken-

neth Gene Auld the son of Francis Lyle and Mary Alice Auld from Oakdale, Illinois. Loretta and Ken have one son and twin daughters. Matthew Steven born 12 May 1981 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Jennifer Lynn (Jenny) born 18 April 1983 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; and Penelope Marie (Penny) born 18 April, 1983 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*L to R Back Row: Loretta and Ken Auld; L to R Front Row: Jenny, Matt and Penny.*

Kenneth Gene Auld was born 6 March, 1958 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois. His parents moved to Nashville when he was a small child. He graduated Nashville High School in 1976. He attended Kaskaskia College, Rend Lake Junior College, and Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois. He has an associate degree of Mining Technology from Wabash Valley College. Ken worked for Monterey Coal Company at Albers, Illinois until it closed. He relocated to St. Peter's, Missouri and began work as an electrical maintenance technician in December, 1996 and moved his family there in May of 1997. Ken has one daughter from a previous marriage named Sarah Ann Auld born 14 April 1978 in Washington County.

Loretta worked part-time for Country Companies in Pinckneyville, Illinois and then full-time for First National Bank also of Pinckneyville until moving to St. Peter's, Missouri in 1997. She then started working at St. John's Bank at St. Peter's Missouri as a teller supervisor.

She and her husband, Ken have been active in church work and boy scouts and girl scouts. Matt, Jenny and Penny are active in school activities which include band and swim team and they are active in their youth group at First Baptist Church of O'Fallon, Missouri. They have been very active in boy scouts and girl scouts.

## AUSTIN-SCHLEPER

Janet Ann Schleper, born 15 July 1939 in Du Quoin, is the eldest daughter of Godfrey J. Schleper and Tessie R. Hicks. Janet and her sister, Agnes had happy memories growing up in the Schleper house on the corner of 103 North Walnut. They were good students in their studies and studied piano from 5<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

Janet had the privilege of attending the old high school for two years and the new high school, built in 1955. She attended the University of Illinois with a BS in Business Education. Her first job was at E. Peoria, Illinois high school, from 1961-1965. During those years she studied for her Masters in Business Teaching at University of Illinois and received it in 1966. Janet also taught at Bradley University from 1965-1967.

She married Howard "Bryant" Austin of Maysville, Arkansas, on 28 December 1963 in Du

Quoin at Sacred Heart. Bryant was an engineer with Caterpillar Tractor Company in Peoria. He did field research and then moved to supervisor at Aurora's plant. The family lived in Oswego, Illinois for six years and received a transfer to Tokyo, Japan for three years. Beth entered fifth grade and Will entered second grade. Craig was four. Their experiences, travels, and friendships were broadening. They attended the American School in Japan, 18 km outside of Tokyo. The family lived in a small village, called Tama Machi.



*L to R Back Row: Will Austin, Janet Schleper Austin, Beth (Austin) Schmidt, and John Schmidt. L to R Seated: Craig Austin and H. Bryant Austin.*

In 1979 the company transferred them to Decatur, Illinois and Bryant was named assistant chief engineer. Bryant retired in 1995 and they are updating his family home in Siloam Springs, Arkansas, 20 miles north of Fayetteville.

Their children are: 1) Elizabeth Ann "Beth" (19 June 1965 Peoria, Illinois) graduated from University of Illinois, BS in Business and Northwestern University with MS in Finance, married John H. Schmidt, Chicago on 18 May 1991. 2) William Bryant (11 September 1967 Peoria) graduated with BS in Mechanical Engineering, University of Illinois and MS in Finance, Ohio State. 3) Craig Thomas (12 May 1972 Aurora, Illinois) graduated from University of Arkansas in Industrial Engineering and MS degree in Industrial Engineering, University of Arkansas.

## BAILEY-ELDRIDGE

George Eldridge Bailey born 9 December 1881 was one of ten children born to Robert Bailey, Sr. and Martha (Eldridge) Bailey. Both originated from Wales and settled in Perry County, Illinois. Both are buried at the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois.



*George Eldridge and Sarah Lucinda (Robinson) Bailey.*

George married Sarah Lucinda Robinson born 4 December 1889 (daughter of John Robinson and Nancy Caroline (Lewis) Robinson). They were married at Pinckneyville, Illinois 25 October 1906. They lived in the areas of Ava, Willisville and



Sunfield, Illinois. Both George and Sarah are buried at the Marissa Cemetery, Marissa, Illinois.

Their six children are: Grace Lillian, Robert Howard, Gladys Sarah, George, Ethel Lucille, and Delilah Ione.

Grace Lillian married first Frank N Hennrich, second, Warnie L. Hurshman,

Robert Howard born 18 June 1907 Sunfield, Illinois married Eileen Snyder 29 March 1940 in St. Louis, Missouri, Howard served in World War II, In 1962 Howard and his brother opened a service station in St. Libory, Illinois and in 1963 Howard was made Chief of Police in Marissa, Illinois. Howard and Eileen had two daughters. Juanita born 21 August 1942 married Arthur Lee Liles. Their children, Sandra Kay married Terry Tallant. They had two sons Jeremy Wayne and Christopher Douglas. David Lee died young. Arthur Lee, Jr. married Lisa Topper. They have one daughter Korina Annette "Kori". Richard Lee married Sherry Correa. They had one daughter, Angela Lea. Rhonda Fay married Billy Hopkins. Their children are Ryan David, Kayla and Samantha.

Roberta born 6 December 1945 married Jimmie Lee Davis and their children are: Ann Elizabeth who married Brian Cleon Massey McCormick and a son Andrew Edward.

Linda Lou married Matthew Bruce Gurley and baby due July 1998.

Sarah Lee married Kevin Lee Dudenbostel and their children are: Brittany Ann, Jacob Thomas and Robert Dale.

Gladys Sarah married first Lee O. Milligan and second Basil Jarrett.

George Married Ellen (Eggers) Spreitler.

Ethel Lucille married first William S. Slieper and second Edward A Zeugin.

Delilah Ione married first Woodrow Cheatham and second James L. Capps.

## BAILEY-GREGORY

Robert Bailey, Sr. was born in Wales to George and Mary (Gregory) Bailey, 29 May 1846. He came to the United States in 1865 at the close of the Civil War.



Robert Bailey Sr. and Martha (Eldridge) Bailey.

The voyage across the great Atlantic Ocean took six weeks by sailship. Robert Sr. worked in the coal mines in Ohio and Coal City, Illinois, then in Sunfield Illinois and there remained.

He saved enough money to send for his parents and two sisters from Caridff, Wales. One sister died and was buried at sea during the voyage. Mary Ann survived.

George Bailey born about 1813 in Wales, B. I. died 1885 and married Mary Gregory born about 1808 Wales, B. I. Died 1895. Both buried at IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois. Chil-

dren known are: Joseph, born 1840 and died 1884 married Rachel Owens.

Robert born 1846 died 1930 married Martha Eldridge (daughter of George Eldridge, mother unknown. George remarried Jeanette Jones, she later married David Morgan and the family called her "Granny Morgan").

Mary Ann married Johnny Carroll, nothing more is known, but he later remarried a woman the family called "Aunt Sophia."

Robert Bailey, Sr. married Martha Eldridge 13 February 1875, Perry County, Illinois. They lived in Sunfield, Illinois, then moved to a farm north of town and finished building the homeplace in 1893 on Route 51, south of Tamaroa, Illinois.

Robert and Martha had seven sons and three daughters. Two sons died in infancy: John born and died in 1890 and Benjamin born 1891 and died in 1892.

David born February 1880 married, first Anna Yates and second Margaret (Durkin) Spinger and third, Mary Hiene.

George born December 1881 married Sarah Lucinda Robinson.

James born October 1882 married Elsie Krangle.

Robert Jr. born January 1885 married Amy Cox.

Martha (Maude) born May 1886 married Finis Hilt.

Anna born 29 March 1888 married Earl Cox.

Albert born January 1894 married Margaret McIntyre.

Ruth born September 1895 married Frank Edie.

## BAILEY-SAUNDERS

The first Bailey's to come to this section of the country were George and Mary Bailey. Originally from Wales, they landed in America, bought a covered wagon and started westward, settling in Youngstown, Ohio. One of the sons, Joseph Bailey and his wife, Rachel Owens moved to Sunfield with intentions of starting a coal mine and also farming.

Their youngest son, Charles, married Minnie Bishop, daughter of Randolph and Margaret (O'Keefe) Bishop and to this union were born three children, Ressho, Ethel and Wesley (better known as Tucker). Wesley married Leda Mildred Saunders, daughter of Robert Clinton and Leda Kate (Marsteiner) Saunders. The Saunders family came from Germany, settling first in Tennessee, then moving to Illinois. Paternal grandparents of Leda (Saunders) Bailey were James and Rachel (Plumlee) Saunders. Maternal grandparents were Joseph and Lydia (Ing) Marsteiner who also came from Germany.

Wesley and Leda have two daughters, Ruth, a high school math teacher at Cairo, Illinois and Janet, a special education teacher at Wheatley School in Du Quoin. Janet is married to Dr. Richard Weinberg and together they have five children, Matthew and Charles Weinberg and Catherine (Kate), Adam and Rachel Downs.

Wesley was retired from coal mining, his primary occupation at the time of his death in 1988. He was also a bookkeeper, worked for the State Highway Department and served in World War II with the Quartermaster Corps in the European Campaign.

The Bailey's have been lifelong residents of the Sunfield community and members of the Sunfield United Methodist Church.

## BANDY-VANCIL

Deborah Ann Vancil Bandy (03 July 1953 Du Quoin, Illinois) is the oldest child of John Bailey and Dorothy Elaine Timpner Vancil of Du Quoin, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were Miles and Annabel Bailey Vancil of Sunfield. Maternal grandparents were William Bahre and Laura Ann Frederking Timpner of Pinckneyville. Her siblings are David, Dennis, and Darryl Vancil of Sunfield, and Denise Vancil Smith of Du Quoin.



"Dan, Deb, Ross, Rebekah, and Laura Bandy—Christmas 1997."

Deborah married Lloyd Daniel "Dan" Bandy on 30 June 1974 at the Sunfield United Methodist Church. They have continued to attend and support this church. Dan (19 November 1953 Herrin, Illinois) is the second child of Lloyd Melvin Bandy and Novella Jean Zeigler Bandy. His grandparents were Lloyd and Ruth Grant Bandy of Herrin, Illinois, and Harvey and Elsie Whittington Zeigler of Johnston City, Illinois.

Deborah graduated from Sunfield Grade School, Du Quoin High School, John A. Logan College, and Southern Illinois University. She is currently teaching fifth grade at Ward Middle School in Du Quoin.

Dan attended school in the Herrin School District and attended John A. Logan College. He is presently employed by Electric Energy, Incorporated in Joppa, Illinois as a certified welder.

Their first child, Laura Ruth, was born on 15 April 1976 in Herrin, Illinois. She graduated from Herrin High School and is now a student at the University of Missouri at Rolla majoring in Electrical Engineering.

Ross Daniel was born on 20 January 1980 in Herrin. He is a 1998 graduate of Herrin High School where he pursued an interest in athletics. He will attend John A. Logan College.

Rebekah Elaine was born on 01 December 1984 in Herrin, Illinois. She will be a sophomore at Herrin High School and is also active in athletics. Submitted by Dan and Deborah Bandy.

## BARBER-CLOSSEN

Louis lived in Du Quoin, Illinois with Clarence and Imogene James from 1953-1956. Louis worked for Clarence at his car agency and later became partners in a junk yard at the Sunfield Wye. In 1956 Louis sold his part to Clarence and moved back to East St. Louis, Illinois with his family. Shortly after he sold out, a tornado wiped out the junk yard.

Louis Barber born 4 July 1931 St. Clair County, Illinois married Donna M. Clossen born 26 February 1939 St. Clair County, Illinois married 11 May 1959 St. Clair County Illinois. They have four children and nine grandchildren. Louis is retired from the Metro East Sanitary District of



Granite City Illinois. In 1984 the family moved to Pilot Knob Township, Washington County Illinois and in 1994 they purchased the William Dunn home north of Pinckneyville, Illinois where they still reside today. Louis is a descendant of Ezekial Barber. His father, William Barber was born around Ellis Grove Illinois.



L to R Back Row: Louis Barber, Sr. Brad and Evelyn Bradley, Lois and Doug Hughes, Charles Barber and Louis Barber, Jr; L to R Middle Row: Donna Barber, Ashley Bradley, August Clossen, Ruby Clossen, Meriah Barber and Jeremy Barber; L to R Front Row: Chris Hughes, Bill Bradley, Randy Barber and Chris Barber

Children and grandchildren are: Charles L. Barber born 7 August 1956 St. Clair County Illinois, (wife) Deborah L. (Williams) born 25 July 1973 Murphysboro Illinois married 25 November 1990. (Daughter) Krystal Nicole Barber born 11 December 1991, Murphysboro, Illinois, (daughter) Dawna L. Barber born 11 May 1994 Murphysboro Illinois. The family resides in DeSoto Illinois (Ex-Wife) Elaine Louella (Wurth) Evans. (Son) Charles Jeremy Barber born 8 October 1976 St. Clair County Illinois. (Son) Randy Louis Barber born 11 January 1977 St Clair County Illinois. (son) Christopher Robert Barber born 21 June 1978 St. Clair County Illinois.



Dawna and Krystal Barber.

The family resides in Smithon, Illinois. (Son) Mariah Lee Alexander Barber born March 1988 St. Clair County Illinois. Mariah lives with his mother Melanie Wayland in Lenzburg Illinois. Evelyn Mae (Barber) Bradley born 29 June 1960 St. Clair County Illinois (Husband) Willard Farrell Bradley Jr. born 21 March 1961 Kenosha Wisconsin married 21 August 1981 St Clair County Illinois. (Son) William Farrell Bradley born 20 February 1982 Du Quoin, Illinois. (Daughter) Ashley Ann Bradley born 18 December 1987 Du Quoin Illinois. The family resides in Murphysboro, Illinois where Willard has been a letter carrier since 1983. Lois Ann (Barber) Hughes born 15 August 1962 St. Clair County Illinois. (Husband) Douglas Eugene Hughes born 10 December 1957 St. Clair County, Illinois married 31 January 1981 St.

Clair County Illinois. (Son) Christopher Douglas Hughes born 22 August 1981 St. Clair County Illinois. The family resides in Freeburg, Illinois Louis Thomas Barber, Jr. born 25 February 1965 St. Clair County Illinois. Louis resides in Smithton, Illinois.

## BARBER-MURPHY

Ezekiel Barber was born in Marietta, Ohio on 22 November 1802. He was only 2 1/2 years of age when his parents brought him to Illinois settling at Ellis Grove in 1805. His parents were Alexander Barber and Nancy (Dennis) Barber born in Barkhamsted, Connecticut and Adams County, Pennsylvania respectively.

Ezekiel was a farmer by occupation and by trade a millwright. He married Miss Jane (Jennie) Murphy on 23 February 1825 in Randolph County, Illinois. Miss Jane Murphy was born in North Carolina on 7 April 1797. She came to Illinois in 1818 and resided with her parents John Murphy and Jane (Jennie) McCall at the edge of Lost Prairie (now known as Cutler) in Perry County. She remained there until her marriage to Ezekiel Barber. Two sons were born to this marriage, Alexander, born 24 November 1825 and Ezekiel, born 15 December 1827. Life was cut short for Ezekiel, Sr. after only two years of marriage when he died suddenly in August of 1827. His wife remarried a Mr. Johnston only to be widowed a second time. She died on 30 June 1877 presumably at Grafton, Illinois while residing in the home of her eldest son; Alexander Barber and his wife; Penelope (Conway) Barber. *Submitted by Robert C. Barber*

## BARKER-TIMPNER

Richard Paul Barker and Cheryl Rae Timpner were united in marriage on 30 August 1997 in St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Rich was born in Centralia, Illinois on 19 April 1973. He is the eldest of two sons born to Gary Barker of Overland, Missouri and Beverly (Gandy) Daniel of the Pinckneyville - Rice area. Cheryl was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 29 January 1974. She is the eldest of three daughters born to Ralph and Helen (Mohr) Timpner of Pinckneyville.



Richard and Cheryl (Timpner) Barker.

Rich completed his grade schooling at Nashville, Illinois before moving to Pinckneyville and graduating from high school in May of 1991. Cheryl attended Pinckneyville grade schools and graduated from P.C.H.S. in May of 1992. Rich took an active interest in sports such as golf, basketball and softball. He was a member of Oakdale Baptist church upon baptism in August 1989, but later attended St. Paul's U.C.C. Cheryl was a ten year member of the Pyatt Farmerettes 4-H Club and

very active in music both in school and church. She is a member of St. Paul's U.C.C. where she was baptized as an infant and confirmed in 1988. She participated in activities such as being a part-time organist and a member of the choir as St. Paul's U.C.C. After high school, Rich attended Rend Lake Community College in Ina, Illinois for one year before enlisting in the United States Air Force in August 1992. Cheryl attended Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois. She graduated in May 1997 with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Business. The couple currently reside at Grand Forks Air Base in Grand Forks, North Dakota. Rich is a third year Senior Airman working in Fleet Management of the 319<sup>th</sup> Transportation Squadron in the Logistics Group of the 319<sup>th</sup> Air Refueling Wing at Grand Forks AFB. He has excelled in many areas and has earned the title of Transportation's Airman of the Year for all of the transportation commands two years in a row. He also had served as President of the squadron's Morale Club for two years in a row. Cheryl is currently working in accounting for a local construction company and teaches piano lessons. She is also associated with an alumni chapter of a music fraternity and piano teacher's guild. (Also see Timpner-Mohr Vol. I, Page 340 and Timpner-Mohr, Vol. II) *Submitted by Cheryl (Timpner) Barker.*

## BATES-MORITZ

Beverly Kaye Moritz is the second daughter of Richard and Georgia Wolfe Moritz. She was born in Pinckneyville Community Hospital on 01 September 1965. She attended Pinckneyville Grade and High Schools, graduating in 1983. She attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale graduating with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Accounting in 1987. She is presently an Accountant in the Purchasing Department at Southern Illinois University. She has worked as an accountant in various offices on the campus for the past twelve years.



Homer and Beverly Moritz Bates.

On 04 March 1989 she married Homer Eugene Bates at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Homer was born 04 February 1962 to William "Bill" and Lennis Ditzler Bates of Ava, Illinois. Homer attended Ava and Trico High School at Campbell Hill, Illinois. After graduation he earned his Associate Degrees from Southern Illinois University and John A. Logan College. Homer works in the laboratory at Percy, Illinois for Arch Minerals and helps his brother, Bobby, with farming and raises Chuckers and Quail for hunting clubs.

Beverly and Homer have two children: Emily Mildred, born 14 February 1992, and



Benjamin Eugene, born 25 August 1993, both born in Marshall Browning Hospital at Du Quoin, Illinois. Emily attends Kindergarten and Ben will be starting Kindergarten in August at Trico.



Emily Mildred and Benjamin Eugene Bates.

Beverly is a member of the Du Quoin Chapter of the Order of Eastern Star and a Daughter of the Nile Al Sihah Temple in East St. Louis, Illinois. Homer, Beverly, Emily and Benjamin are all members of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## BATHON- HARRIS

Lawrence Bathon born 21 January 1926 at Tamaroa, the second child of William and Lydia (Schmalriede) Bathon was married 30 December 1950 at Todd's Mill to Sarah Elizabeth Harris born 25 July 1925. They have nine children: Mary Elizabeth, William Gerard, Richard Eugene, Leonard Christian, Lawrence David, Donna Marie, John Frederick, Gerald Allen and Janice Eileen. (see BATHON-SCHMALRIEDE)

Mary Elizabeth (Sister Julia Maria O.S.F.) born 12 October 1952 at Du Quoin. is a Franciscan Sister of Our Lady of Perpetual Help.

William G. born 25 February 1954 at Du Quoin was married 9 September 1978 at Pinckneyville to Marsha Ann Smith born 17 December 1955 at Du Quoin a daughter of Robert and Doris (Ruffino) Smith. They have two children: Joshua Jeremy born 10 May 1979 and Carianna Jaylene born 26 April 1983 both at Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Richard E. born 15 March 1956 at Pinckneyville was married 16 July 1977 at Pinckneyville to Tamara "Tami" Lee Provart born 16 February 1960 at Pinckneyville a daughter of Victor and Virginia (Lee) Provart. They have one child: Sabrina Jaylene born 30 November 1977 at Pinckneyville. Richard and Tami were divorced and Richard was second married 25 May 1987 at Tamaroa to Judy (Lynch) Heck born 5 April 1943 at Du Quoin a daughter of Charles T. and Kathryn J. (Melvin) Lynch.

Leonard C. born 3 November 1957 at Pinckneyville was married 5 June 1981 at Nashville, Illinois to Leveda Kehrner born 25 September 1962 at Belleville, Illinois a daughter of Herman and Rose (Boyer) Kehrner. They have two children: Lydia Marie born 23 February 1986 and Zacharias Jacob born 9 March 1990 at St. Louis, Missouri.

Lawrence D. born 15 September 1959 at Pinckneyville was married 26 August 1977 at Pinckneyville to Lisa Marie Smith born 12 April 1961 at Pinckneyville a daughter of Robert and Doris (Ruffino) Smith. They have two children:

Dathan Daniel born 14 January 1978 at Du Quoin, Illinois and Shaydn Micklas born 12 May 1986 at Pinckneyville.

Donna Marie was born 10 September 1960 was first married 7 October 1978 to Jesse Earl Pierce and had two children: Robert Lee born 14 March 1979 and Charles Allen born 16 February 1983 both at Carbondale, Illinois. Donna and Jesse were divorced and Donna was second married 24 June 1987 to Scott Rees born 29 January 1957 at Du Quoin a son of Byrl and Betty (Liska) Rees. Scott died 15 July 1990 at Pinckneyville and is buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Du Quoin.

John F. born 5 October 1961 at Pinckneyville was married 19 January 1987 at Nashville to Jennifer Davidenes born 23 October 1966 in Philippines a daughter of Eugene and Rita (Benninghoff) Davidenes. They had twin sons: Miles Jacob and Nickloas Seth born 29 March 1987 at St. Louis, Missouri. John F. and Jennifer were divorced January 1990.

Gerald A. was born 16 October 1962 at Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Janice born 14 June 1964 at Pinckneyville was married 19 June 1982 at Coulterville, Illinois to Mike Rust born 30 April 1958 at Red Bud, Illinois a son of Robert and Melba (Fox) Rust. They have two children: Robert Scott born 22 July 1982 and Jennifer Rae born 21 July 1983 both at Nashville. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## BATHON-HOFFMAN

Alfred G. Bathon born 30 July 1930 at Round Prairie the fifth child of William and Lydia M. (Schmalriede) Bathon was married 12 August 1950 at Pinckneyville to Ella Marie Hoffman born 1 June 1928 at Pinckneyville a daughter of Joseph and Theresa (Flure) Hoffman. They had ten children: Billy Jo, Patricia, Donald, Raymond, Carl, Leonard, Marilyn, Mark, Roger, Lillian, and James. Ella Marie died 10 June 1994 and is buried in St. Mary Magdalen Cemetery, Todd's Mill, Illinois. (see BATHON-SCHMALRIEDE)

Billy J. born 4 September 1951 at Du Quoin was married 28 August 1976 at Pinckneyville to Kathy Wilburn born 8 November 1955 at Dexter, Missouri a daughter of Paul and Bessie (Henson) Willburn. They have one child: Jason Daniel born 24 April 1977 at Pinckneyville.

Patricia born 1 October 1952 at Du Quoin was married 16 October 1971 at Todd's Mill to James Przygoda born 14 June 1950 at Du Quoin a son of Ralph and Regina (Jazwiak) Przygoda.

Donald born 13 October 1953 at Du Quoin was married 1 September 1976 at St. Louis, Missouri to Mary Ann Bartoczkiewicz born 24 May 1949 at St. Louis a daughter of Edward and Bertha (Borawiak) Bartoczkiewicz.

Raymond born 3 September 1954 at Du Quoin was married 5 February 1977 at Pinckneyville to Julia Piotrowski born 4 December 1956 at Berwyn, Illinois a daughter of Frank and Geraldine (Zelinski) Piotrowski. They have three children: Shannon Rae born 5 July 1977 at St. Louis, Missouri, Christopher Arron born 20 September 1981 and Jessica Maria born 20 May 1983. (see Page 39 Volume I)

Carl L. was born 21 August 1955 at Du Quoin, died 17 December 1977 at Pinckneyville and is buried in St. Mary Magdalen Cemetery, Todd's Mill.

Marilyn born 14 December 1956 at Pinckneyville was married 1 March 1975 at Todd's

Mill to Vincent Peradotta born 30 September 1954 at Pinckneyville a son of Carl and Virginia (Chandler) Peradotta. They have two children: Angelia Sue born 16 August 1975 at Pinckneyville and Amy.

Mark born 2 April 1958 at Pinckneyville was married 25 August 1979 to Karen Knight.

Roger born 25 May 1959 at Pinckneyville was married 27 August 1983 to Janet Kitowski.

Lillian born 3 November 1960 at Pinckneyville was married 11 October 1980 to Mark Mathis.

James born 15 February 1963 at Pinckneyville was married 11 June 1983 to Cindy Little. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## BATHON-SCHMALRIEDE

Lydia M. Schmalriede born 20 June 1898 the fifth child of Christian T. and Katherine (Laufer) Schmalriede was married 23 February 1925 at Pinckneyville to William Adam Bathon born 22 February 1896 at Tamaroa, a son of Andrew and Anna (Goldman) Bathon. They had eight children: Eutola Catherine, Lawrence Frederick, Lillian Anna, Leonard Christian, Alfred George, William Adam born 1931, Eugene Paul born 1932 and Sylvester Edward born 1935. The last three born and died in infancy at Tamaroa. They along with Lydia M. who died 25 August 1967 at Pinckneyville are buried in St. Mary Magdalen Cemetery, Todd's Mill, Illinois. (see SCHMALRIEDE-LAUFER)

Eutola C. born 2 June 1920 at Pinckneyville was married 1 September 1941 at Todd's Mill, Illinois to Raymond Heisner born 5 June 1918 at Pinckneyville a son of Arthur and Catherine (Bathon) Heisner. They have five children: Leona Marie, Raymond Jr., Edward James, Eugene Leo and Carol Ann.

Leona M. born 8 August 1942 at Pinckneyville was married 30 August 1961 at Todd's Mill to Thaddeus Bochantin born 20 December 1939 at Du Bois, Illinois a son of Ben and Helen (Kroll) Bochantin. They have three children: Cheryl Lynn born 25 June 1963, Kevin Joseph born 5 October 1966 and Jeffrey Allen born 23 June 1968 all at St. Louis, Missouri.

Raymond Jr. born 23 November 1943 at Pinckneyville was married 20 October 1966 at Todd's Mill to Constance Degenhardt born 21 October 1944 at Pinckneyville a daughter of Bernard and Rose (Ledendecker) Degenhardt. They have three children: Richard Raymond born 25 September 1967, Lisa Renee born 10 June 1970 and Tamara R. born 2 December 1975 all at Nashville.

Edward born 9 January 1948 at Pinckneyville was married 9 May 1971 at Posen, Illinois to Barbara Kozuszek born 7 September 1950 a daughter of Sylvester and Eleanor (Kroll) Kozuszek. They have two children: Michelle born 2 April 1971 and Douglas born 2 June 1975 both at Belleville.

Eugene Leo was born 30 October 1955 at Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Carol Ann born 3 March 1959 at Pinckneyville was married 3 September 1977 at Pinckneyville to Terry Epplin born 29 October 1955 at Pinckneyville a son of Raymond and Doris (Hill) Epplin.

Lawrence born 21 January 1926 at Tamaroa was married 30 December 1950 at Todd's Mill to Sarah Elizabeth Harris born 25 July 1925 at Scheller, Illinois a daughter of Charles Richard



and Mary Elizabeth (Boismenu) Harris. They have nine children: Mary Elizabeth, William Gerard, Richard Eugene, Leonard Christian, Lawrence David, Donna Marie, John Frederick, Gerald Allen and Janice Eileen. (see BATHON-HARRIS)

Lillian Anna was born 11 November 1926 at Tamaroa and died 22 November 1926 at Tamaroa.

Leonard Christian born 2 July 1929 at Round Prairie, Illinois never married and died 20 September 1957 at Tamaroa. He and Lillian are buried in St. Mary Magdalen Cemetery.

Alfred G. born 30 July 1930 at Round Prairie was married 12 August 1950 at Pinckneyville to Ella Marie Hoffman born 1 June 1928 at Pinckneyville a daughter of Joseph and Theresa (Flure) Hoffman. They had ten children: Billy Jo, Patricia, Donald, Raymond, Carl, Leonard, Marilyn, Mark, Roger, Lillian and James. (see BATHON-HOFFMAN). *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## BATHON-TIMPNER

Esther Lavonne (Timpner) Bathon (born 9 March 1933) in Pinckneyville, Illinois is the third child of William B. Timpner (born 17 November 1903) (died 14 November 1981) and Laura H (Frederking) Timpner (born 31 May 1906) in Nashville, Illinois (died 5 February 1998) in Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*L to R Back Row: Allen Wilson, Ryan Bathon; L to R Middle Row: Ray Allen Bathon, Joann Wilson, Carol Bathon, and Jamie Bathon; L to R Front Row: Robbie Bathon, Denise Bathon, Lavonne Bathon Sarah Wilson, and Kristina Wilson.*

Esther Lavonne married Albert F. Bathon (born 22 November 1925) in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 26 June 1954. To this union were born Joann Marie (born 25 May 1955) in Pinckneyville, Illinois, Ray Allen (born 9 June 1956) in Pinckneyville, Illinois and Carol Elaine (born 22 September 1957) in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Joann Marie Bathon married Allen Wilson of Sparta, Illinois on 16 May 1981 at Pinckneyville, Illinois. They are parents of Sarah Elizabeth (born 6 June 1989) and Kristina Nicole (born 28 February 1993).

Ray Allen Bathon married Denise F. Hagene on 21 February 1976 at Pinckneyville, Illinois. They are the parents of Jamie Adam (born 20 June 1976) Ryan Joseph (born 2 May 1980) and Robert Allen (born 11 November 1983).

Lavonne attended Ozburn School. She lived on a farm and worked at the coal mine. Lavonne is now retired.

Albert died 19 January 1997 after many years of farming and factory work. He was a good husband and father.

## BAUDISON-STERN

Jiuseppe Baudissone immigrated to this country from Italy in 1890. He started in New Orleans and eventually migrated to southern Illinois where he purchased some land just north of Pinckneyville to farm and raise his family there. Soon after moving to America, he decided to change the spelling of his name to suit how Americans pronounced it. The Italian language spells words exactly how they are pronounced, therefore, when Americans began pronouncing his name with a silent e and less s sound, Jiuseppe changed the spelling to Baudison at which the Americans began pronouncing it BOD-I-sun. In 1900, Josph married Magdalena Giacomo and they had several children, Peter Clement, John, Marie, Margaret, George, Isabelle, and Ina. Peter Clement, or Clem (died in 1967) married Anna Margaret (Ann) Kellerman in 1928 and they remained on the family farm. Ann and Clem bore the following children: Joseph (Joe) who married Irene Prusacki; Clara Marie (a Catholic nun currently living in Erie, Pennsylvania); Leo (died at the age of two in a drowning accident); James Henry (Jim) who married Patricia Leona Stern; and Rosemary who married Rick Rankin (currently live in Mt. Vernon, Illinois). Joe and Jim live and farm on the same land that their grandfather purchased when he moved to this area. They also owned and operated a sawmill in the small town of Du Bois, Illinois.



*Jim and Pat Baudison Family.*

Jim and Pat have three daughters: Margaret Eileen (12 July 1967) married Ralph Przygoda 17 October 1991, became a housewife and currently lives in Tamaroa, Illinois; Mary Agnes Zilch (31 May 1969) is an accountant who lives in the St. Louis area; and Catherine Ann (Cathy) (23 August 1973) remains in Pinckneyville. (see STERN-BAUDISON)

## BAUER-SCHMALRIEDE

Anna L. Schmalriede born 30 April 1892 in Perry County the eldest daughter of Christian T. and Katharine E. (Laufer) Schmalriede was married 9 April 1913 at Pinckneyville to Peter Bauer born 17 January 1888 at Pinckneyville a son of Peter and Elisabeth (Hopp) Bauer. They had five children: Pete James, Ematine, William A. Edwin G. and Leland Ray. Ann died 24 July 1951 and is buried in the Tamaroa Cemetery. (see SCHMALRIEDE-LAUFER)

P. James born 22 January 1914 was first married to Opal Roper. They had three children: James LeRoy, Robert Allen and Orlan P. James was second married 28 February 1947 to Mabel Stroud born 14 April 1923. They had two children: Michael and Rebecca. (see BAUER-SCHMALRIEDE DESC)

Ematine born 14 February 1915 was married 15 March 1937 to Don A. Frederick born 3 June 1912. Don and Ematine had four children: Gary, Sherri, Don Oren and Peter Kent. Don A. died 14 July 1968 at Robinson, Illinois and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Du Quoin. (BAUER-SCHMALRIEDE DESC)

William A. born 26 November 1917 in Perry County was married 1 May 1937 at Centralia, Illinois to Mildred L. Halstenberg born 21 February 1918 at Centralia, Illinois a daughter of William and Emma (Spherhe Halstenberg). They had three children: Karen Sue, William M. and Vicky Rae.

Karen S. born 27 June 1938 at Du Quoin was married 6 July 1956 at Bloomington to Billie D. Watkins born 20 July 1933 at Patoka, Illinois a son of Benjamin and Genevieve (Wynn) Watkins. Billie and Karen had four children: Ricky Dean born 24 July 1957 was married 7 January 1978 at Bloomington to Tammy Sue Blanchard born 24 May 1960 at Bloomington a daughter of Howard M. and Nancy (Montgomery) Blanchard. Judith Sue born 23 August 1959, Sabrina Louise born 25 March 1963 and Teresa Lynn born 1 June 1966 all at Bloomington, Illinois.

Willima M. born 15 May 1941 at Du Quoin was married 10 July 1971 at Detroit, Michigan to Lauren Schulz born 2 August 1946 at Detroit, Michigan a daughter of Wesson and Lucille Schulz. They had two children: Julie L. born 8 June 1973 at Eugene, Oregon and Steven W. born 14 September 1976 at Bellevue Washington.

Vicky Rae born 6 December 1952 was married 21 June 1975 to Steven Crouch born 2 August 1953 a son of Walden and Mabel (Allen) Crouch all at Bloomington.

Edwin G. born 10 July 1920 in Perry County was married May 1950 in McLean County, Illinois to Jane Deal born 24 October 1921 at McLean County a daughter of William Harris and Otida May (Gingrick) Deal. They had one child: Sandra Edree born 23 January 1951 at Bloomington and married 21 September 1974 at Bloomington to Charles Gregory Heins born 13 June 1951 in McLean County a son of Charles William and Norman Jean (Richards) Heins.

Leland R. born 29 October 1934 at Du Quoin was married 5 April 1964 at Orogrande, New Mexico to Jeanette Means born 12 March 1940 at Carrizozo, New Mexico a daughter of Robert and Bonnie (Hopkins) Means. They had one daughter Anna Luise born 3 August 1964 at El Paso, Texas. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## BAUER-SCHMALRIEDE DESCENDANTS

The families of Peter and Anna L. (Schmalriede) Bauer's two eldest children: Pete James and Ematine are listed below. (see BAUER-SCHMALRIEDE)

P. James Bauer born 22 January 1914 in Washington County Illinois was first married to Opal Roper. They had three children: James LeRoy and Robert Allen born at Bloomington, Illinois and Orlan born at Centralia, Illinois. P. James was second married 28 February 1947 at Bloomington, Illinois to Mabel Stroud born 14 April 1923 at Charleston, West Virginia a daughter of Asa and Sylvia (Murray) Stroud. They had two children: Michael and Rebecca.

Michael born 13 September 1949 at Bloomington, Illinois was married 26 August 1972



at Bloomington to Debra Brickey born 10 April 1950 at Bloomington a daughter of Ted and Dorothy Brickey. They had one child: Brian Justin born 13 August 1976 at Bloomington.

Rebecca born 16 January 1955 at Bloomington was married 16 February 1973 at Bloomington to John Pingelton born 11 October 1949 at Bloomington a son of Albert and Doris Pingelton. They had two children: Kathleen born 22 April 1971 and John born 18 February 1974 both at Bloomington.

Ematine born 14 February 1915 at Tamaroa was married 15 March 1937 at Tamaroa to Don A Frederick born 3 June 1912 at Martinsville, Illinois a son of Bethel and Lucy (Shanks) Frederick. Don and Ematine had four children: Gary, Sherri, Don Oren and Peter Kent. Don A. died 14 July 1968 at Robinson, Illinois and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Du Quoin

Gary born 8 October 1939 at Du Quoin was married 15 April 1961 at Jacksonville, Florida to Virginia Sue Chamblin born 26 April 1942 at Live Oak, Florida a daughter of John and Irma (Terry) Chamblin. They have two children: Kelly Deneen born 9 November 1961 and Kimberly Adair born 18 October 1966 both born at Jacksonville, Florida.

Sherri born 6 January 1944 at Baltimore, Maryland was married 2 August 1969 at Oblong, Illinois to Thomas Dow Crawford born 24 April 1942 at Georgetown, Illinois a son of Dow and Jean Crawford. They have two children: Canon Dow born 17 July 1973 and Wade Frederick born 20 May 1976 both at Rockford, Illinois.

Don Oren born 1 January 1949 at Du Quoin was first married 30 December 1967 at Oblong, Illinois to Loretta Gaddis born 6 December 1950 at Robinson, Illinois a daughter of Arthur and Alta Gaddis. They had two children: Tammy Layne born 7 August 1968 and Tad LaRue born 22 November 1969 both at Fort Campbell Kentucky. Don O. was second married 18 November 1974 at Willow Hill, Illinois to Sheryl Lee Applegate born 7 November 1953 a daughter of Nolan and Virginia (Cummins) Applegate.

Peter K. born 7 November 1954 at Robinson, Illinois was married 14 February 1978 at Flat Rock, Illinois to Shelly Bowen. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## BAUERSACHS-BIGHAM

Rudolph John "Rudy" Bauersachs and Florence Gass were married on 26 December 1925 in Pinckneyville. They were blessed with a son Lloyd "Dean" Bauersachs on 26 September 1926 while living in Orient, Illinois. Rudy worked in the coal mines. Upon the death of the young wife and mother, Florence, in October 1928, Rudy and his son, Dean, were left on their own.

It was after the loss of this two year old's mother that Dean went to live with his Grandparents. John Philip Bauersachs (1865-1942) and Louisa (Tanner) Bauersachs (1875-1942). Dean spent his young years with his grandparents on their farm. Dean's Grandmother passed away in June 1942, so the kind hearted Dean stayed home the first semester of his Junior year of High School to help his grandfather care for the farm until his death in November 1942. In 1943 Dean went to live with his father and step mother in Orient, finished high school in West Frankfort and enlisted in the Navy. He served his country in World War II as a radar operator in the Pacific from 1944-1946.



*L to R Back Row: Gail, Lynn, Jerry and Gina; L to R Front Row: Verna Lee and Dean Bauersachs*

Upon his return from the war he was smitten by Verna Lee Bigham and they were married on 30 August 1946. It was at that time that Dean attended junior college in Washington, Iowa, thus beginning his pursuit of becoming a school administrator. He finished his degree in Education at Southern Illinois University. Dean began his teaching career at Lost Prairie, a one room school west of Pinckneyville, in the 1947-49 school year. Dean held various positions in education throughout the State of Illinois. At the time of his sudden death on 2 February 1982, he was the Superintendent of Chester School District and had completed 34 years in the field of Education.



*Dean Bauersachs*

During those years he was quite a busy man in the other areas of his life. He not only served in various community organizations but he was also an active father in the lives of his children. Dean and Verna were blessed with four children: Lynn Dean (24 March 1948), Jerry Lee (23 November 1949) both born in Du Quoin, Illinois. Gina Sue (29 April 1959) born in Alton, Illinois and Gail Denise (24 September 1965) born in Jerseyville, Illinois. Dean and his natural mother, Florence (B. 8 December 1905 - D. 3 October 1928), are buried at Concord Cemetery near Route 127 in northern Perry County. His father, Rudy (B. 7 September 1903 - D. 25 January 1970), is buried at Cutler Cemetery.

## BAYER-MILLER

Paul Dean "Dean" Bayer (born 23 November 1934 Du Quoin, Illinois) is the son of Uhe W. Bayer (son of William Bayer and Henrietta Uhe) and Fern Elizabeth Isom. Dean married Ramona Sue Miller (born 1 May 1935 Elkhville, Illinois), daughter of Frank and Ida (Winters) Miller, on 3 April 1954.

Dean and Ramona had three children: Kathy Lynn, Diana Lee, and Ronald Dean. Kathy Lynn, born 27 April 1955, is married to Terry H. Stein. Diana Lee, born 3 June 1956, is married to John Wilson. Ronald Dean, born 16 February 1958, is married to Lee. All three children were born in Gary, Indiana. Dean and Ramona have seven grand children.

Dean was an instrument repairman for U.S. Steel in Gary, Indiana for thirty years. He retired at the age of 48. He enjoys collecting music, arrowhead rocks and books. Ramona is a career housewife.

## JOHN BAYNES/BANES

John Baynes/Banes was born in Virginia in 1760. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War. John was a resident of Mecklingburg, Virginia when he enlisted for the North Carolina Line. He served for 21 months and was in the Battle of Camden. John married Susannah (last name unknown) in Mecklingburg, Virginia in 1782. They had two children, both born in Virginia. Elsworth born 27 September 1783 and Sarah born 7 February 1786.

John received a land grant in Sumner County Tennessee for his service and moved his family there. Elsworth married Peggy White 28 August 1806 in Sumner County. It is not known if they had any children. Elsworth died about 1814 in Sumner County. Sarah married Isaac Carmack in Davidson County Tennessee 11 March 1819.

John and Susannah moved to Perry County Illinois about 1837 with their daughter and son-in-law to the Pinckneyville area. John had been a farmer in Tennessee. He applied and received a pension for his service in the war while living in Tennessee and it was transferred to him in Perry County. John died in Perry County 2 September 1840. Susannah died in Perry County 23 April 1842.

## BEATY-BOLINSKI

James Herman Beaty, born 7 March 1942 in Carbondale, Illinois the son of Clarence Wesley and Virginia Aleen (Feldscher) Beaty was married on 21 September 1963 in Du Quoin, Illinois to Doris Ann Bolinski, born 15 November 1943 in E. St. Louis, Illinois the daughter of Felix Walter and Antoniall Adeline (Miller) Bolinski.

Jim was raised in Elkhville, Illinois until 1957. He then moved to Pinckneyville with his father and graduated from PCHS. Doris moved to Pinckneyville with her family in August 1944. She also graduated from PCHS. Jim and Doris met during high school. Jim worked at the Streamline and Captain strip mines for 13 1/2 years and as a heavy equipment operator for 36 years. Jim served as a volunteer firefighter for 32 1/2 years with the Pinckneyville City and Rural Fire Departments. Both served for 15 years with the Boy Scouts of America. Doris is an active community volunteer.

Dwayne Allen Beaty, born 2 November 1964 in Pinckneyville, Illinois graduated from PCHS and Wichita Automotive and Electronics Institute in Wichita, Kansas. He moved to Atlanta, Georgia and was married in Oakman, Georgia on 4 April 1992 to Lesa Jane Welch, born 5 May 1964, the daughter of Joseph Earnest and Nancy Inez (Williams) Welch in Chatworth, Georgia. Lesa graduated from Murray County HS and Oglethorpe University with a degree in English. They reside in Austell, Georgia. Dwayne is employed at the Robert Bowden Company in Georgia. Lesa is employed at S.P. Richards in Smyrna, Georgia.

James Wesley Beaty, born 18 August 1966 in Pinckneyville, Illinois graduated from PCHS and Wichita Automotive and Electronics Institute



in Wichita, Kansas. On 24 June 1889 in Pinckneyville, Illinois he married Antioinette Denise Rednour, born 1 March 1870 the daughter of Russell and Diana (Ruffino) Rednour in Nashville, Illinois. Ann graduated from PCHS. The child of this union is daughter, Desiree Antioinette Beaty, born 25 April 1990 in Nashville, Illinois. Jim and Ann were divorced in January 1996. Jim resides in Pinckneyville and is employed in the agricultural industry.

Deann Lynette Beaty, born 17 December 1969 in Pinckneyville, Illinois graduated from PCHS and Hickey Business School in St. Louis, Missouri majoring in accounting. On 7 August 1991 her daughter Ashley Nicole Beaty was born in St. Louis, Missouri. DeAnn was married in Pinckneyville on 11 July 1995 to Marshall Swayne Sowder, born 12 October 1970, the son of Marsahl Dean and Diane Gail (Gammel) Horton of Vancouver, Washington. James Nelson and Ruby Lee Sowder also of Vancouver Washington later adopted him. Children of this union are Marshall James Sowder, born in Du Quoin, Illinois on 19 March 1996 and Wesley Allen Lee Sowder, born in Murphysboro, Illinois on 12 May 1997. They reside in Pinckneyville and DeAnn is employed at Sisco in Nashville, Illinois.

Travis Lee Beaty, born 11 April 1977 in Pinckneyville, Illinois graduated from PCHS and attended the University of Missouri-Rolla. He is an Eagle Scout and currently employed at Universal Music and Video Distribution in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## BECK-BROSTMAYER

Fred Julius Beck was born on 28 August 1863 to Barbara Beck. His father was Julius Schlegel. Barbara and Julius were never married. His mother, Barbara died of pneumonia when Fred was only six months old. He was raised by Barbara's parents, George and Elisabeth Beck.



L to R Back Row: Christina Beck Roethe, Lydia Beck Frederking, Rosina Wilhelmina (Minnie) Beck Wagner, Emma Beck, Anna Rosina Brostmeyer Beck, Anna Beck, Fred J. Beck; L to R Front Row: Louis Beck, Ed Beck.

Anna Rosina was born on 27 May 1864 to Baltasar Brostmeyer and Anna Chadarina Krisel near Conant, IL. Fred and Anna were married in Pinckneyville, on 10 February 1887.

Fred and Anna had eight children all born in Pinckneyville: Christina E. (30 December 1887-11 June 1965) married Otto Roethe on 10 February 1909; Rosina Wilhelmina, known as "Minnie" 20 September 1889-8 July 1975) married Theodore Wagner on 8 December 1909; Rudolph Johann (18 March 1891-14 July 1892); Edward Frederick (8 Jan 1893-21 May 1961) married Bertha Mayer on 9 June 1913; Lydia Barbara (1 December 1894-11 September 1983) married Otto

Frederking on 17 April 1925; Emma Elizabeth (14 October 1896-10 December 1972) never married; Anna Caroline (30 December 1898-11 March 1976) never married; and Ludwig Carl, known as "Louie" (4 July 1905-1 October 1954) married Martina Dierks. Fred and Anna also had a still born son.

During his life, Fred operated a coal mine and saw mill north of Pinckneyville until a fire destroyed them. All the financial records of the business were destroyed in the fire and he was never able to collect on all the debts owed to him. In 1900 Fred invested in "Eureka Manufacturing Company" of Pinckneyville and was a part owner in that enterprise for four years when he sold his interest in the business.

Fred borrowed money from William Wagner around 1923 to start the "Beck Hardware Store" which he owned and operated until 1938 when he had a stroke and sold it to his son-in-law, Theodore Wagner (son of William Wagner who was married to "Minnie").

Anna Rosina died at the age of 57 from complications of an appendectomy (performed on 9 April) on 14 April 1922 in Pinckneyville. Fred remarried on 2 March 1924 to Fredericka (known as Ricky) Kiehna Brandt (born 25 August 1860). Ricky also preceded Fred in death on 30 June 1937.

Fred lived to be 74 years old and died of pneumonia complicated by influenza on 6 March 1938, in Pinckneyville. Anna and Fred had twenty-two grandchildren. Submitted by Michael K. House, Great Grandson

## BECK-HEINERT

John George Beck (called by his middle name, George) was born on 2 December 1808 in Bavaria. He married Elisabeth Heinert who was born on 22 December 1811 in Bavaria. Six of their seven children were born in Bavaria. They came to the states with those children in 1854 and settled and farmed near Conant.

The six children born in Bavaria were: Caroline (1835-1921) married Christian Ritter; John George (went by the name George) (26 December 1836-17 March 1908) married Margaret Denninger on 1 August 1860; Frederick (6 November 1838-12 November 1873) married Regina Gerstenschlager on 11 April 1863; Barbara (28 October 1845-25 February 1864) never married; John (23 June 1850-23 October 1881) married Catherine Young on 5 January 1873; and his twin Elizabeth (23 June 1850-1 June 1912) married Matthew Schneider on 27 August 1867. Their last child, William (19 February 1857-22 November 1920) was born in the Conant area on 19 February 1857 when Elisabeth was age 45. He married Katherine Mayer 23 October 1879.

Barbara was born on October 28, 1845, in Bavaria. She was the fourth child of seven born to John George Beck and Elisabeth Heinert Beck. Her family moved to the states in 1854 when she was 9 years old.

At the age of 17 Barbara became pregnant. When her parents discovered she was pregnant they were quite upset, so she went to live in Pinckneyville with her sister, Caroline and her husband. Upon becoming seriously ill she returned home to her parents. She gave birth to a son on August 28, 1863 and named him Julius Fred Beck (later he changed his name to Fred Julius).

Barbara became seriously ill with pneumonia during Fred's infancy. She died six months after his birth on February 25, 1864 at the age of 19.

John George died on 5 August 1879 at the age of 70. Elisabeth lived to be 84 years of age outliving three of her children and she died on 24 July 1896. John George and Elisabeth had 40 grandchildren and over 157 great grandchildren.

Submitted by Michael K. House, 3<sup>rd</sup> great grandson

## BECKER-MODE

Henry Becker moved his family to Perry County, IL in about 1866. Henry was born 18 July 1829 in Miesenheim, Rhine Province, Germany the son of William Becker and Marie Anna Frien. Henry died on 22 October 1899 and is buried in Greenbriar Cemetery with his wife in Perry County. Henry's parents William and Marie left for America on 21 March 1848 carrying passports issued in Koblenz, Germany on 27 November 1847. Many people left Germany during this period to escape famine and political upheavals. America was the nearest and most promising refuge. William and Marie both died of cholera one year later in 1849 in Centreville, St. Clair County, IL.



Miss Georgia Mae Becker.

Henry married Katherine Mode (May 1834-15 February 1917) on 20 July 1854 in Millstadt, St. Clair County, IL. Katherine was born in Germany. Her father was George Moody, also born in Germany. The German name Mode has been found also spelled Moody, Moody, and Moodey.

Henry and Katherine lived on a farm near Pinckneyville. Henry built two 4-poster beds and a fainting couch that are still in the family. Henry and Katherine raised seven children: John (18 June 1856-19 October 1859), Catherine (15 February 1858-13 July 1890) who married Fred Bruder, Henry Jr. (12 March 1859-30 May 1877), John (named after his first born brother John, (20 June 1861-14 April 1947) who married Minnie Schwartzkopf, George Henry (1863-1936) who married Catherine Ann Pugh, Philip (11 December 1865-30 May 1935), and William (Willie) (15 April 1868-30 July 1946)

George Henry Becker was born on 23 July 1863 in Millstadt. George moved with his family to a farm in Lower Four Mile at the age of three. In Pinckneyville, on 18 October 1894, he married Catherine Ann Pugh (16 January 1876-21 March 1960) the daughter of David Pugh (1838-1900) and Christian Held (1845-1926). George moved with Catherine to Pinckneyville the last seven years of his life. He died on 20 March 1936 and is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery in Pinckneyville. George and Catherine raised four children: Christian Anna (Annie) (10 May 1895-20 December



1986) who married Charles A Morgan, Ida D. (17 June 1897-11 February 1918) who married Sebastian Bastian (Bast) Schimpf, Georgia Mae (1900-1984) who married Roy James Fannin, and David (24 March 1905-13 October 1956) who married Pauline Lucille Cook.

Georgea Mae Becker was born in Pinckneyville on 21 March 1900. There she married Roy James (Jim) Fannin the son of John Washington Fannin (1851-1943) and Alva Crain (1860-1942). Jim was born on 5 June 1897 in Cutler and died on 14 December 1935 in Pinckneyville. Jim and Georgia had two girls: Ruby Ernestine (born 10 September 1917) and Mildred Catherine (born 12 December 1919). Jim and Georgia divorced in 1922 and Georgia married Guy Elsworth Neely who became the father of the two young girls. After Guy's death in 1961 Georgia married the widower Stephen (Steve) Ross Reel. Georgia was a homemaker and an employee of the dress factory in Pinckneyville. She was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Pinckneyville. She died on 3 July 1984 and is buried with Guy in Mueller Hill Cemetery.

Ruby Ernestine Fannin married Lloyd Edward Cunningham (born 17 January 1913) in Pinckneyville on 29 August 1937. Lloyd was a teacher at the high school. Ruby and Lloyd had three children: Robert Lloyd (born 8 November 1939), Thomas Edward (born 7 June 1943) who married Nancy Elizabeth Jones, and Janet Mae (born 26 May 1948) who married Tony Burnette.

*Submitted by Robert Lloyd Cunningham, Brookline, Massachusetts.*

## BEHM-LUEDERS

Julius Behm was born on 30 March 1884 in Waterloo, Illinois, the son of Nicholas and Louisa (Krueger) Boehm (later changed to Behm). His father was born in Germany 5 December 1841 and died 22 April 1913. His mother was born in Millstadt, Illinois on 19 November 1853 and died 26 January 1945. Both are buried at Smithton, Illinois. He had two brothers, Nicholas and John. Nicholas is buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville and John is buried at Smithton, Illinois.

Emma Sophia Mary (Lueders) Behm was born on 21 September 1886 in Frohna, Missouri, the daughter of Theodore and Minnie (Huth) Lueders. Her father was born 29 October 1863 and died 1 January 1922. Her mother was born 20 June 1864 and died 29 November 1943. They are buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. She had four sisters, Flora, Tena, Lena, and Tillie.

Julius and Emma were united in marriage on 2 April 1907 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. They had five children: Lena, Charles, Kenneth, Edna and Waldemar.

Lena "Helen" Matilda (1908-1984) married William "Bill" Henry Wieman in 1937 in St. Louis and they had two sons, William "Gary" and Bruce.

Charles Edward (1911-1963) married Emma "Sally" Groetke in 1933 at Waterloo, Illinois and they had two daughters, Joan and Victoria "Vicky."

Kenneth Theodore (1914-1987) married Virginia Hoffman and they had one son, Robert "Bob" Gantner. He later married June Henderson and they had two daughters, Nancy and Janice.

Edna C. (1921) was married to Herbert K. Roethe on 9 April 1940 in Pinckneyville, Illinois

and they had two daughters, Mary and Linda.

Waldemar "Wallie" Jewel (1926-1986) married Ramona Fisher on 13 November 1954 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. They had four children, Wally Steven, Mark Edward, Terry Lynn and Kim. Ramona had one daughter, Linda.

Julius had worked at the sawmill, was a janitor at the post office and later worked as janitor at the court house. Emma was a housewife.

Julius and Emma are buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

*Submitted by Granddaughter, Mary Elaine (Roethe) Kuhnert*

## BENDER-MC DANIEL

Jacob "Jake" Louis Bender, Sr. son of John William "J.W." Bender and Mary Catherine Young (?Jung), was born 8 September 1907 in Conant, Perry County, Illinois. Jake married Alcie Vivian Mc Daniel, daughter of Lemuel Mc Daniel and Faye Belle Schowalter. She is believed to have been born in Herman, Missouri on 4 July 1920. Alice died 16 August 1980 in Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*Back Row: L to R Betty L. (Bender) Mucha, Jacob L. Bender, Jr. Jacob L. Bender, Sr.; Front Row: L to R Barbara (Bender) Hagene, Alice V. Bender.*

Jake's father was a storeowner in Conant where Jake helped in the store and loading trains. When Jake was young, the family moved to Pinckneyville to open The Faarmers Store. When Jake took over the family store, about 1927, it was renamed, Bender's Market. Jake's brother-in-law, George Gann (married to Alice's sister) joined Jake in 1948 as a partner and the store became Gann and Bender's Market.

Jake served as Mayor of Pinckneyville beginning in 1964 after serving as Police Commissioner and Finance Commissioner for the city the previous sixteen years. In 1976 Jake was elected President of the Illinois Municipal League.

Jake and Alice wre members of St. Paul United Church of Christ and Jake is a past-president of the Lion's Club. Among Jake's accomplishments during his terms as Mayor was the locating of the MCA (now Universal) plant, My-T-Fine Pudding (no longer here), and the US Gypsum (not GS Metals) plant east of Pinckneyville. During his terms as Mayor a new city library was built, the recreation parks for baseball and tennis were built. Bender Pool (an olympic-sized pool) was built, a new sewer plant and land was acquired for The Gardens high-rise for senior citizens.

Alice was a housewife and worked in the store, especially in the dry goods section. She enjoyed sewing and ceramics with her and her sister donating a ceramic Christmas tree each year for the hospital auxiliary's annual Christmas raffle. Alice also enjoyed crocheting afghans.

Jake and Alice had three children: Betty Lucille, Jacot Louis, Jr., and Barbara Louise. Betty, born 19 July 1941 in Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, married John David "David" Mucha 11 November 1961. David, the son of John A. and Dorothy (Franklin) Mucha of Du Quoin, was born 16 February 1941. Betty and David have four children: David Galen, Betsy Lucille, John Jacob, and William Franklin. David, born 24 September 1963, married Christine "Chris" Grogg on 12 May 1990. Betsy, born 25 September 1969, married Vincent A. Cacioppo 4 June 1988. Betsy and Vincent have two children: Lauren Betsy (born 10 January 1990) and Melanie Alice (born 8 June 1993). John Jacob was born 29 September 1971 and married Jeanie Rheinecker 4 November 1995. Willima "Bill" was born 29 July 1974.

Jacob "Jackie" Jr. was born at home on Douglas Street in Pinckneyville on 8 August 1943. Barbara "Barbie" was born 12 July 1956 in Pinckneyville. She married Edward Joseph "Eddie Joe" Hagene on 31 August 1977. They have five children: Cheryl (married Colin Baggott), Edward Joseph, Jr. "Eddie Joe," Scott Francis, Rebecca "Becky" Elizabeth, and Jillian "Jill" Louise. *Submitted by Betty Bender Mucha*

## BENSON-BAKER

Samuel Benson was born in 1801 in Tennessee. His wife Polly Baker was born in 1811 in Tennessee. They came to Illinois prior to 1832 and settled in Perry County. Samuel and Polly were the parents of ten children. Deliah (1832-?), David (1836-?), Mary E. (1837-?), James (1844-?), Joe (1845-?), Mary Ann (1846-?), Eliza (1848-?), Mallissa (1850-?), Sarah (1853-1924) married George Heape (see Heape-Benson biography) and Harriett (1858-?). Samuel's father was born in Montana and his mother in Virginia. Polly's father was born in Tennessee and her mother in South Carolina. *Submitted by Steve Jackson, 8966 S SR109, Markleville, IN 46056*

## SHIRLEY DUNCAN BENTON

Shirley Ann Duncan was born on 29 March 1938 in Du Quoin, Illinois; the daughter of Edward Amos and Irene Bell "Scherer" Duncan.



*John and Shirley Benton.*

In 1940 the Duncan family moved to Mt. Vernon, Illinois; and in 1947 Edward bought a farm and moved the family to Dix. In 1951, at the age of 13, Shirley returned to Du Quoin, Illinois.

In 1956 Shirley married William Edward Swallers, better known as "Sonny." After he left the Air force, the Swallers moved north to Waukegan to seek employment. The family settled in Zion where Sonny was employed at Johnsmanville Corporation for eleven years. Dur-



ing that time God blessed them with four lovely daughters; Shirley "Penny," Patricia, Terry, and Marsha.

In 1966 Sonny became ill and at his wish, the Swallers family sold their home and returned to Du Quoin. Sonny passed away in January, 1974.

In December 1977, a gentleman who Shirley had met named John L. Benton from Springfield, Tennessee moved to Du Quoin. He was formerly employed at the Division of Highway Engineering for the State of Tennessee, but is now employed by BICC Cables in Du Quoin.

John and Shirley were married June 24, 1978 and reside at 208 South Leonard Avenue in Du Quoin. At this present time, all four daughters have grown up, are married, and have families of their own.

Shirley "Penny" married Gary Beachey, and they reside in Michigan. Patricia Ann married Leeburn Clark and they reside in Kentucky. Terry Lynn married Jerry Alvis and they reside in Du Quoin. Marsha Nadine married Todd Overton and they reside in Du Quoin.

Penny is the mother of Ronald Rice, Jr. and Tyler Rice. Ronald lives in Springfield, Illinois and Tyler lives in Hopkinsville, Kentucky.

Patty is the mother of Stephanie, Nathaniel, and Whitney Clark all of Madisonville, Kentucky.

Terry is the mother of Jerry W. Alvis, Jr. of Du Quoin and Jason Alvis now serving in the Air Force.

Marsha is the mother of Brandon and Rochelle Overton of Du Quoin.

John and Shirley are enjoying their nice family and are looking forward to retirement. They are members of the First United Pentecostal Church of Du Quoin and are involved in church work and community projects.

We report that God has truly been good to us! *Written by Shirley Benton*

## BERG-FIECKER

Valentine Berg was born in Brombach, Lindenfels, Hessen Darmstadt, Germany on 2 August 1833 to John and Anna Catherine (Link) Berg. He married Mary Ann Fiecker who was born on 6 January 1844 in Hanover, Germany. It has not been determined who or where they were married or who Mary Ann's parents were.

According to family tradition, the Bergs resided in the Du Quoin and Cudgetown areas of Perry County, Illinois. Their marriage was blessed with six known children.

Their eldest child, Anna Theresa, was born 18 February 1869 in Perry County and was christened at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin, Illinois on 6 June 1869. She grew to adulthood and married George Meidinger.

Katharina "Kate" was the second Berg child and daughter. She was born 9 November 1870 and was christened at Sacred Heart on 5 February 1871. She also achieved adulthood and married Henry C. Schoch. She died 17 December 1952 and is buried in the Tower Grove Cemetery in Jackson County, Illinois.

Theresa Elizabeth, born 7 May 1873 in Monroe County, Illinois was the third Berg child. She was christened 2 June 1873 at St Bruno Catholic Church in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She married Leopold Karl on 6 November 1883. They resided in the Danville, Vermillion County, Illinois area. Theresa died 15 January 1936 and was buried in Danville on 18 January 1936.

The fourth child and daughter of Valentine and Mary Berg was Frances Mary. She was born 31 October 1875. She married Joseph Gebhardt Schneider on 6 May 1896. She died in 1972 in Sparta Randolph County, Illinois and is buried in the St. Bruno Cemetery west of Pinckneyville.

Ther Bergs welcomed their fifth child and only son, Emil John on 16 January 1878. Emil was born in or near Cudgetown in Perry County. He married Hedwig "Hattie" Reidelberger in May of 1900. This marriage produced one son, Leonard. After the death of Hattie, Emil married Lena Held on 15 May 1911. Emil died 12 February 1927 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois and was buried at St. Bruno Catholic Cemetery on 14 February 1927. Both Lena and Hattie are buried with Emil at St. Bruno's. Emil worked as a coal miner.

The sixth and final known child of the Bergs was Ida Sophia. She was born 19 February 1881 in Cudgetown. She grew to adulthood and married John William Schneider, the brother of Joseph Gebhardt Schneider. Ida and Will raised their family in Coulterville, Randolph County, Illinois and Pinckneyville. Ida died on 22 August 1964 and is buried with her husband at St. Bruno Cemetery.

Valentine died when Ida was only two years old. Mary went on to marry Frank Walkerman in 1890 at St. Bruno Catholic Church in Pinckneyville. There were no children from this second marriage.

## BIGHAM - ARMSTRONG

On 2 August 1898, Doris "Cecil" Bigham was born southwest of Pinckneyville. He was the son of well known farmers Jefferson Ebenezer "Naze" Bigham and Harriet Rosetta "Rose" (Elkins) Bigham who are buried at Galum Cemetery. Cecil was known as a fun loving and kind hearted person. He was very helpful to others in need and it was often said that he would give you the shirt off of his back. He spent many years during his youth as a farm hand in northern Illinois and several other states. These admirable qualities and hardworking spirit are what attracted Myrtle May Armstrong to Cecil. She was the daughter of T. A. Armstrong and Maggie (Schwebel) Armstrong, who were also farmers southwest of Pinckneyville. Cecil and Myrtle did in fact marry on 16 September 1926.



*Myrtle and Cecil Bigham.*

After that marriage, Cecil took a position working in the John Deere Tractor plant in Moline, Illinois. It was May of 1929 in Moline that their only child, Verna Lee, was born. During the summer of 1935 Cecil, Myrtle and Verna Lee moved back to Perry County. Cecil rented some farm land and returned to his first love of farming. In a short time Cecil owned his own land and became a successful farmer. He continued to farm until

his retirement at the age of 78. On 22 August 1981, at the age of 83, Cecil passed away. Eleven years later, he was followed by Myrtle on 12 May 1992. They are both laid to rest at Cutler Cemetery.

Their daughter, Verna Lee, married Lloyd "Dean" Bauersachs in Aug of 1946. They had four children: Lynn Dean (1948), Jerry Lee (1949), Gina Sue (1959), and Gail Denise (1965). They later produced eight grandchildren: Kimberly (1970), Ryan (1974), Christy (1975), Ginifer (1975), Jeremy (1979), Gerett (1983), Josephine (1993), and Andrew (1996). As of 1997 there were four great-children: Justin (1995), Katy (1997), Caleb (1997), and Lylee Ann (1997). Upon the death of Dean in February 1982, Verna Lee accepted a position at Southwest Baptist University in Bolivar, Missouri. Upon her retirement, Verna Lee moved back home to Pinckneyville. It was not long after her return, that she was taken with a Perry County farmer by the name of Edwin Mayer. They were married on 8 January 1994 and reside on the outskirts of Pinckneyville. They are spending their retirement together enjoying the grandchildren, and Edwin, in fact, has become a "PaPa" to them all.

## BIGHAM-DAVIDSON

Beth Ann Bigham was born, 11 August 1958 in Rockford Memorial Hospital. Her parents are Orel (born 14 January 1930) and Shirley Martin Bigham (born 11 September 1934). Her grandparents were Simon (born 27 July 1904; died 28 August 1945) and Florence Mentel Martin (born 2 September 1904; died 15 July 1960); William Leslie (born 30 April 1894; died 26 May 1963) and Ernestine Heisner Bigham (born 12 September 1902; died 11 November 1942). She has a brother, Gary and a sister, Sandra.



*Dr Robert Davidson and Dr Beth Bigham, Andrea and James Davidson.*

Beth attended kindergarten in Rockford, Illinois at Rolling Green School. Her family returned to Pinckneyville, Illinois in June of 1964. Beth attended St. Bruno's Catholic School for grades one through eight. She was involved in most of the activities in grade school including cheerleading. She then attended PCHS and graduated Valedictorian of her high school class of 1976. She received several academic awards base on her achievements in high school.

Beth's first year of college was spent at "Ole Miss" in Oxford, Massachusetts; here she was a member of the Alpha Xi Delta Sorority. She transferred to SIU-C her second year. At SIU-C she majored in Science, as a pre-med student. She was also a member of the Sigma Kappa Sorority, holding several office including president.

Beth attended the University of Illinois, College of Medicine-Rockford Campus. So she re-



turned to the city of her birth and studied and worked in the hospital she was born in as well as the other hospitals in that city-Swedish-American and St. Anthony's.

Dr. Bigham then went to Evansville, Indiana for her three year residency in Family Practice at Deaconess Hospital. There, Dr. Bigham and Dr. Robert James Davidson, son of Elizabeth Preswich and James Henry Davidson, of Scotia, New York met. Upon completion of Beth's residency in 1990, she and Dr. Davidson also a specialist in Family Medicine, relocated to Beth's hometown of Pinckneyville, Illinois. They worked one year with Dr. Gene Stotlar (1990) and bought the Medical Arts practice upon Dr. Stotlar's retirement 11 July 1991. Beth has often stated her "first love" in medicine is Obstetrics and Gynecology, with Pediatrics a very close second. Dr. Robert's practice is primarily devoted to older adolescent and adult medicine, though both Beth and Robert provide complete "womb to tomb" family care.

The couple married, 21 March 1992 at St. Bruno's Catholic Church in Pinckneyville, Illinois. They have two preschool children: Andrea Elizabeth, (born 17 November 1993) and James Edison (born 3 September 1996). Dr. Bigham's children were both born at Marshall Browning Hospital, Du Quoin, Illinois, where she is on staff. Dr. Davidson's primary hospital affiliation is Pinckneyville Community Hospital.

## BIGHAM-HAMILTON

One of five children of Winfield Scott Bigham (1860-1928) and Mattie Kelly (1866-1940), Roy was born 1 May 1892 on a farm southwest of Pinckneyville. With the exception of the time spent in service during World War I, his entire life was spent on this farm. His grandparents, Middleton and Jane (Campbell) Bigham along with five sons and a daughter had settled in an area that later became known as the Bigham district. The Bigham School, where Roy attended, at one time had an enrollment of sixty-two pupils.



*Roy and Clara Bigham, 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, 22 May 1974.*

In St. Louis, Missouri on 22 May 1924 he married Clara Hamilton 22 April 1897 daughter of Elijah and Edna Hamilton. Their children included: Roy Dean born 4 September 1925, Edna Margaret born 2 April 1930 and Orville Ray born 25 April 1934.

A lifelong member of the Galum Presbyterian Church, Roy sang in the choir and served as elder. He loved horses and traveled to several fairs to show and sometimes race them. Roy died 6 February 1977 in the same house in which he was born. He was buried in Galum Cemetery. Clara died 12 June 1991.

Roy Dean married Irma Engelhardt on 27 September 1952. Their children include Donald,

1953; Roy Allen, 1955; Jeanne, 1958; and Greg, 1961. Don, an attorney, is married to Gwen Crews and they have one daughter, Sara, born 3 February 1988. Allen, a farmer, is married to Tena Edwards. Allen has a son Catlin, born 23 October 1984. Jeanne, an attorney, is married to Rodger Heaton. They have four children, Jill, born 8 June 1984, Olivia, born 14 January 1987, Jessica, born 22 November 1989 and Mark born 24 October 1994. Greg, a farmer is married to Cheryl Place. They have three daughters, Macy born 27 March 1988, Holly, born 22 July 1992, and Taylor, born 7 July 1994. Roy Dean and Irma reside on a farm north of Vergennes. They are active members of the Wesley United Methodist Church.

Margaret married Wayne Leehy on 31 March 1961 and they raised her two daughters, Phyllis and Sandy. Margaret and Wayne live in Grayville, Illinois. Phyllis was married to Steve Vaughn and had one son, Scott 26 April 1977. Phyllis is married to Charles Poiter and lives at Du Quoin, Illinois. Sandy is married to Ray Livesay of Lawrenceville. They have three children: Jonathon 25 July 1980, Daniel 1 November 1984 and Jeana 18 February 1987. They live in Grayville, Illinois.

Orville married Doris Woodside 16 June 1956. They live on the home place southwest of Pinckneyville. They have two children, David 25 August 1957 and Janice 1 July 1959. David married Nancy Crawford in 1983. They have three children: Matthew, 16 May 1986, Kelsey, 24 May 1989 and Alexis, 11 August 1993. Janice is married to Greg Lamb and has three children: Julie, 24 April 1986, Rebecca, 26 April 1989 and Kyle, 20 April 1993. They reside in Highland, Illinois.

## BIGHAM-MARTIN

Shirley Jane Martin Bigham (11 September 1934) is the second daughter of Simon (27 July 1904-28 August 1945) and Florence Mentel Martin (02 September 1904-15 July 1960). She was born at 545 North Division Street, Du Quoin, Illinois. When she was about six months old her family moved to rural Pinckneyville where she lived with her parents and older sister, Pat. Her parents built a beautiful home on land that her mother inherited from her grandfather, Adam Mentel (25 December 1866-04 October 1939). The home is now owned by Jake Bergfeld.



*Orel, Gary, Beth, Shirley, and Sandra—taken when Beth graduated from medical school.*

When Shirley was five years old the family was blessed with another child, Joseph Adam, named for both his grandfathers, was born 04 November 1939.

Shirley was in the second grade at Nation when the school burnt. The student then finished the year at Duncan School near Rice, Illinois. They

had to ride the Pinckneyville Community High School bus as it went north to make its morning run. Miss Bertha (Kellerman) was the teacher, and for this writer, she was the most wonderful person she had met, outside of her parents. When the new school was built, Miss Bertha had decided to marry Mr. Carson and Miss Coral Brynant was hired as the new teacher. There were over forty students and the board was trying to cut down the numbers. Simon, Shirley's father, was chairman of the board and he decided to help by sending his two girls to St. Bruno's Catholic School in town.

In the third week of her third grade she entered St. Bruno's and there she stayed until Christmas of her fifth grade when her family moved to Fairview, Illinois. Her father had accepted a job with the Fairview Collieries Coal Mine, near Canton, Illinois. Shirley completed her fifth grade at the grade school in Fairview.

In August 1945 the family was called to Du Quoin because Simon's father was very ill. After spending a couple of hours with his father, Joseph H. Martin, in Marshall Browning Hospital, Simon joined his family at his sister's, (Theresa Martin Mucha) house. It was there he was stricken with a perforated ulcer and was rushed to the hospital. He died six days later, 28 August 1945. The family, devastated, then moved back to Pinckneyville and lived that first year after his death with Shirley's Aunt Irene at the home where Florence had lived before she was married. That was the year that all the schools were closed because of the flu (about 1946-47).

Sometime during that year Florence and her sister, Irene, decided to buy a house in town, on Walnut Street. Florence worked for Thomas O'Keefe and Emil Boquillon in the sheriff's office before she decided to return to teaching. She then started teaching at Beaucoup School and continued until her sudden death, 15 July 1960. Irene moved back to the country about 1947 and Florence and her children continued to live on Walnut Street until 1949, when Florence decided to finish a house that Pete and Norma Hicks had started and move her family back to the country. Several years later she moved her family back to the house that she and her late husband, Simon, had built. Here she died.

Meanwhile, Shirley graduated from St. Bruno's Catholic School (1948), and Pinckneyville Community High School (1952). She then attended St. Louis University for three semesters before transferring to Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. She married Orel Edison Bigham (14 January 1930), son of William Leslie Bigham and the late Ernestine Heisner Bigham.

Shirley and Orel lived in Rockford, Illinois until June of 1964. Orel worked at Sundstrand Aviation and Shirley taught school in the Rockford City Schools. Here their three children were born: Beth Ann (11 August 1958), Gary Allan (31 July 1959), and Sandra Jane (07 December 1960).

When Shirley and Orel returned to Pinckneyville, Shirley taught at District #50 in the Junior High for five years. At this time, she returned to Southern Illinois University and completed her Masters Degree in Special Education in 1970. She started the Special Education Program at Pinckneyville High School. At that time there were no other secondary programs south of Springfield, except in Carbondale. Here she stayed until she retired in May 1993.



Orel went to Barber College in Belleville in 1964-65. He worked in Carbondale for a short time before purchasing Corky Fulton's Barber Shop. Lynn Gerrish worked with him for several years. In 1984 he moved his shop home and here he continues to practice his trade. He also drove a bus for the high school for several years. He especially enjoyed driving to various sporting events, mostly the basketball trips, and enjoyed the students.

Orel and Shirley have six grandchildren, five granddaughters and one grandson. Sandra's children are Sarah Jane (06 October 1987), and twins Elizabeth Anne and Katherine Anne (04 December 1990). Beth's children are Andrea Elizabeth (17 November 1993) and James Edison (03 September 1996). Gary had one daughter, Abigail Marie (28 May 1998).

## BIGHAM-QUIRIN

Gary Allen Bigham was born, 31 July 1959 in Rockford Memorial Hospital. His parents are Orel (born 14 January 1930) and Shirley (Martin) Bigham (born 11 September 1934). His grandparents were Simon (born 27 July 1904; died 28 August 1945) and Florence Mentel Martin (born 2 September 1904; died 15 July 1960); William Leslie (born 30 April 1994; died 26 May 1963) and Ernestine Heisner Bigham (born 12 September 1902; died 11 November 1942). He has an older sister, Beth, and a younger sister, Sandra.



Annette and Gary Bigham.

Gary attended kindergarten at District #50 and grades one through eight at St. Bruno's Catholic School. He graduated from PCHS with the class of 1977. While in high school, he was active in sports, especially football and wrestling. While attending PCHS, he worked part-time, and full-time during the summer at Pyramid State Park. Upon graduation, he worked full-time, until, he was employed by Zeigler Coal Company near Coulterville, Illinois. When Zeigler closed, he went to Waltonville. In 1980, he enrolled at SIUC and completed a degree in accounting in 1985. He was then employed at Sullivan, Illinois as an accountant until fall of 1986.

Gary then substituted at PCHS while searching for a full-time job in this area. He worked at Turco, until he began working for the State of Illinois, as an auditor with the Illinois Department of Revenue.

Gary A. Bigham and Annette M. Quirin were married at St. Albert the Great Catholic Church in Fairview Heights, Illinois on 23 November 1996. They live in Swansea, Illinois.

Annette is the third daughter and fifth child of John Quirin and the late Geraldine Quirin of Smithton, Illinois. She is a graduate of Freeburg Community High School and a graduate of The

University of Illinois in Champaign, Illinois. She is an auditor with the Illinois Department of Revenue.

Gary and Annette are the proud parents of one daughter, Abigail Marie. Born 28 May 1998.

## BIGHAM-SCHILLING

Howard Bigham 25 March 1922 to 11 December 1993 brother to Erla Heisner, married Virginia Schilling (21 August 1928) on 10 January 1948 in Perry County. She is the daughter of Frank and Anna (Reinigar) Schilling.

They have three children: Larry Bigham, Diane Bigham Zacheis and Janet Wisely.

## BIGHAM-TREFFTZS

Middelton and Jean (Campbell) Bigham came from South Carolina to Perry County in 1849. They settled about seven miles southwest of Pinckneyville giving this area the name of the Bigham settlement. They had eight children.



Back Row L to R: James, Dale, Ethel, Mary, Frank, Harold; Front Row L to R: Gilbert and Zoe Bigham.

James M. Bigham was the fourth child of Middleton and Jean. He married Talitha Jane Kimzey. James was a farmer and also raised horses. He had some runners that he took to the Perry County Fair. They raised seven children: Betsy, Gilbert, Viola, Barton, William, Evelyn and John.

Gilbert married Zoe Trefftzs in 1918. Gilbert passed away in 1980; Zoe passed away in 1969. They had seven children: Ethel, Mary, Frank, James, Harry who died in early childhood, Dale and Harold. Gilbert and Zoe ran a retail dairy, raised Jersey cattle and farmed several acres. Later they milked Ayrshires and Guernseys. Gilbert served on the Perry County Fair board for several years. He was a farm bureau member, Soil Conservation and a 4-H club leader.

Ethel married Chester Kurrelmeyer. They have four children: James, Judy, Jean and Joan. Ethel died 26 March 1996 and Chester died 26 December 1996.

Mary married George Hinman. George passed away 16 June 1994. They had eight children: Marvin, Zoellen, Martha, Max who died on 30 September 1980, Gilbert, Mildred, Mark and Ray. Ray is retired from the Marine Corps.

Frank is the oldest of the boys. He was born and raised on the farm south of Pinckneyville. Frank was the only one of the children to have stayed on the farm. He married Lillian Thomas in 1958. They have three children: Ilene, Frankie, and Tibretta. They carried on with the farm and showing cattle. Frank was also employed by the Pinckneyville Community Hospital.

James and Agnes lived in California where James died in February 1990. James had made a

career of being in the Marine Corps. They had two children: Roxanne and James.

Dale is retired and lives in Del Reo, Texas. He has two children: Guy and Max.

Harold and Margo live in Florida. There are five children in their family: Ann, Scott, Bruce, Chris and Jeff.

Gilbert and family have showed livestock at the Perry County Fair for 81 years. In 1966 Gilbert and Zoe were honored at the Perry County Fair for showing cattle for 50 years.

## BIRCHLER-WOODSIDE

Harris Birchler was the second eldest of seven children born to Joseph and Jane Patterson (Geggie) Birchler. He was born 11 April 1913 and was a life long resident of the Perry County area.



Harris and Dorothy Birchler.

On 14 August 1937 he took for his bride, Dorothy Lavina Woodside, 13 May 1916, daughter of Charles Melville and Irene Violet (Rury) Woodside. They were married in Hannibal, Missouri and would remain soulmates until his death, 56 years later.

They established a home together on 320 acres of prime farmland on both sides of the Randolph and Perry County line, 1/2 mile from highway 154. Their farm encompassed all aspects of farm life, from a dairy business to beef stock to grain farming. Dorothy also had a chicken and egg business and was noted for her "truckpatch." There was also the usual menagerie of horses, goats, geese and the ever changing number of cats and dogs. Dorothy was sought out for her canning wisdom and Harris for his farming expertise. Many of their friends and neighbors benefited from their advise through the years.

Dorothy was a beloved 4-H leader for 26 years, a lifetime member of the Shamrock Quilting Club, and an active member in the Westminster Presbyterian Church. Her knowledge of quilts and quilting were legendary.

Through the years, they would become foster parents to five children: Joe Rednour 8 April 1940, Paul Thomas Adams, 14 October 1941, Letha Mae Adams 4 February 1943, Layvonne Hannalore Pflasterer 17 April 1956, and John Warren Pflasterer 11 July 1957. They would also adopt three children: Charles William, 20 April 1946; Virginia Lee 18 May 1947 and Harris Gene, 12 February 1949. They were beloved parents to all of them.

Harris passed away on 10 June 1993 following a long bout with cancer. Dorothy passed away at Pinckneyville Hospital 18 August 1997 from complications following leg bypass surgery. Submitted by Joan Adams and Layvonne Quinn



## BIRCHLER-WYLIE

Clara Louise Wylie Birchler was born 05 June 1921, two and one half miles north of Swanwick, Illinois in Perry County. Clara, the first of nine children of Charles Theodore Wylie (of Scotch Irish French descent) (13 May 1896-19 September 1960) and Alta May (Guy) Wylie (of Irish English German descent) (24 December 1901-06 July 1988) who married 23 June 1920.



Paul and Clara Wylie Birchler.

Clara married Paul Glynn Birchler 09 January 1943 in Perryville, Missouri. Their fifty-fifth wedding anniversary was observed 09 January 1998. Paul enjoys woodworking, enjoys giving many beautiful, useful gifts to his six children and eleven grandchildren, which they appreciate. Clara is giving each grandchild a hand quilted white heirloom quilt as a wedding present. She has made each great grandchild a baby quilt. She quilts with the quilters at their church, Bartonville United Methodist. Their children are Norman Paul, Leo Eugene, Linda Lee, Shirley Ann, Betty Louise, and Doris Jean.



Children of Paul and Clara Birchler.

Norman Paul (20 February 1944) married to Constance Wiemer on 13 July 1973. They have two sons, Aaron, a sophomore at Pensacola Christian College. They both played basketball and Little League. Andrew is a senior at Chillicothe Bible in Chillicothe, Illinois. Connie is caring for her mother, Amelia Wiemer, who has Alzheimer's, in their home. Norman is designing engineer at Caterpillar, Mossville, Illinois for thirty-four years.

Leo Eugene (25 May 1945) married to Paula Malmgren on 26 July 1969. They have three children, Beth, married James Rohr, 24 May 1997, in St. Louis, Missouri. James is in the service, Ansbach, Germany. Beth joined him 10 December 1997 graduating with her Masters from Harry S. Truman University, formally Northeast Missouri State University. Hopeful for a teaching position while husband Jim is stationed in Germany for three years. Jane Birchler graduated from the University of Missouri. This is Jane's second year as a math teacher, 1997-98. Jeffrey Birchler, not

yet through college, presently is working as a surveyor for a large construction company in St. Louis, Missouri. They use highly specialized equipment for surveying.

Linda Lee Birchler (10 October 1946) married Terri Bealmer in Chicago, Illinois on 11 January 1968. Terry is a pharmacist at Proctor Hospital in Peoria, Illinois. Terry takes care of the mail generated from Linda's business, "Sew Mini Pieces" in their home in Mapleton, Illinois. She creates her own original patterns. She and Terry go often to Quilt Market in the United States. They have two children, Tamara Lee (Bealmer) Jurick. Tami and Michael Jurick were married 20 October 1990. They are the parents of twin boys (identical), Shane Michael Jurick and Ryan Patrick Jurick, born 04 October 1995, and Erica Grace Jurick, born 27 July 1997. Since they have these babies, Tami is a transcriptionist in her home for Methodist Hospital. Christopher Michael Bealmer married Jill Marie Hillesheim on 07 March 1998 in Bartonville, Illinois. Their home is in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Chris graduated from Western Illinois University with a degree in psychology. Jill graduated from Illinois State University with a degree in horticulture and does landscaping.

Shirley Ann Birchler (13 April 1949) married Charles Schulze at Bartonville United Methodist church. Born to them, two daughters, Amy Ann Schulze, married Christopher Scott Wathen on 29 June 1996 in First Presbyterian Church in Kirksville, Missouri. Cody James Wathen was born (16 February 1998) in Boulder, Colorado. Jennifer Lynn Schulze married Tobias Erickson on 20 May 1995, ending in divorce the same year. Charles has worked for Bell Telephone since graduating from high school. Shirley makes fine soaps, as many as thirty-six different fragrances, which she sells at craft shows. The trade name chosen is Maude McClinton, the name of her great grandmother. She works in admissions at Harry S. Truman University. They live in a beautiful three-story oak post and beam house they designed on the edge of Sugar Creek Forest preserve.

Betty Louise Birchler (08 August 1950) married William Gibson on 23 December 1972 in Bartonville United Methodist Church. They have two sons, Rusty Lee Gibson who is a junior at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois on a baseball scholarship. He went with his team to Las Vegas, San Antonio, Texas, etc., and played quarterback in high school football. Adam Michael Gibson is a senior at Limestone High. He plans on going to Southern Illinois University. He played baseball, basketball, volleyball, etc. In football, he was a wide receiver on offense and defense back on defense. Bill adds finishing work to the interior of commercial buildings, hotels and motels. Bill was Little League coach for many years. Betty taught home economics for several years and now is Dean of Students at Limestone High School from where Betty and Bill both graduated, also both from Bradley University, Betty with a masters.

Doris Jean Birchler (11 May 1953) graduated from Bartonville Grade School and from Limestone High School. She has had a debilitating handicap for many years and has never married. She is presently in a health care facility.

## BIRD-DAVIS

The marriage of Thomas C. Bird and Nancy Davis was recorded in Randolph County, Illinois

on 5 April 1830. Nancy was the daughter of Augustin Davis and his wife Frances (Lively) Davis from South Carolina. The Davis and Lively families were some of the earliest settlers in Randolph, Washington and Perry Counties. To this union three children were born: John Bird, born in Randolph County, George Bird and Margaret Bird both born in Perry County, Illinois.



Nancy Bird Tombstone.

The youngest child of Thomas and Nancy was born in 1834 and from this date we can find no evidence that Thomas C. Bird was alive or dead. In later census records both John and George give their father's birth place as New York. There was a large family of "Birds" living in New England. Gustavus A. Bird, an attorney, from this family emigrated and lived in Perry County, Missouri. He married a woman from Randolph County, Illinois in 1819. There were also several "Bird" and "Byrd" families from both Virginia and North Carolina that emigrated to Illinois and Missouri. One family lived in Illinois at the confluence of the Mississippi and Ohio River, which at one time was called "Bird's Point." The "Byrd" and "Bird" family inter-married and bought land opposite this site in Missouri and it was called "Bird's Point." Just which family our Thomas C. Bird is from and just what happened to him is still an unsolved mystery. He either died, deserted his family or a divorce occurred.

Records in Perry County, Missouri, tell us that Nancy Davis united in marriage with Levi Simmerman (AKA Zimmerman, Simmons) on 14 August 1837. We have found no record to tell us what happened to Levi. It is assumed that Levi, Sr. died. We do know that Levi was much older than Nancy since he had several children who were married, one of them being Levi, Jr., in Randolph County, Illinois. In the 1840 census of Perry County, Illinois the Nancy Bird family with her three children were living in this county.

In Lib Spurgeon's book *Early Marriages in Perry County with Genealogy Notes*, the marriage of Nancy Simmons to William A. Foster on 17 November 1844 is given. The footnote simply states "Nancy sister of Augustine and Orange Davis."

The 1850 census gives William A. Foster and wife Nancy with a blended family, including two of the Bird children, John and Margaret. Nancy's brothers, William, Orange and Augustine Davis with their families and their mother Frances, are living close to Nancy and William Foster. Unfortunately, the marriage of Nancy and William did not prove to be happy for very long. Records in the Perry County, Illinois Courthouse tell us that Nancy divorced William in 1864.

Nancy died in 1869. Her estate was probated in Perry County, Illinois and gives the following

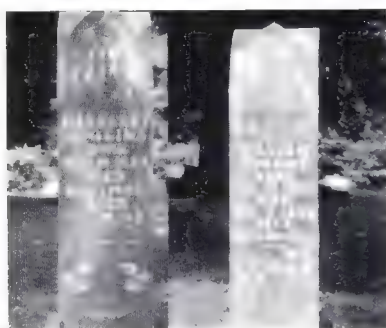


heirs: John Bird, George Bird, Margaret Bird Huggins, (also children by William A. Foster) Julia Foster Thompson, Charles Foster and Matthew Foster (minor).

Nancy is buried in the Cudgetown Cemetery with a simple head stone "NANCY BIRD departed this life, SEP. 6, 1869 AGED 65 Y's. Children." Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings and Martha Pope Emling

## BIRD-HUGGINS

Margaret Bird (*Thomas C. 1<sup>st</sup>*) was the youngest child of Thomas C. Bird and Nancy (Davis) Bird. She was born on 19 March 1834 in Perry County, Illinois. She married William Lafayette Huggins on 4 April 1852 in Perry County, Illinois. He was the son of James and Mary A. (Stinson) Huggins. He is the grandson of Robert and Catharine (Lively) Huggins, both the Huggins and Liively families were Pioneers of Randolph, Perry and Washington Counties in Illinois and came to the state in 1803 from the Abbyville District of South Carolina.



Huggins Tombstones.

They had nine children who grew to adulthood. The following is a list of their children and their spouses:

Emaline Huggins born 1853 died 1881 married 1868, David Foster born 1847 in Indiana died 1916. Children: John W. Foster married Nora J. Potter, second marriage Laura Wright; George W. Foster, Quincy Ephram Foster, Velma Foster, James E. Foster married Lydia Jones; and Andrew O. Foster married Nettie Burton.

George W. Huggins born 1855 died 1936 married 1868, Emie Myers born 1863 died 1947. Children: Inez Huggins, Inzley Mayhew Huggins married Elsie Goldie Marlow Bird, Engle Mayhew Huggins and Chaulkley Huggins married Frances Helmer.

David Huggins born 1859 died 1905 married 1877 Jeannie Alice Ray. Children: Maude Huggins, Eugene Huggins; Dempsey Roy Huggins; Daisy Huggins; Asa Huggins; and James Huggins.

William S "Billy" Huggins born 1862 died 1947 married Mary Holmes.

John Huggins, Sr. born 1864 died 1943 married Louise Morganthaler born 1870 died 1943. Children: Ada Huggins married Hugh Isom; Mary Huggins married William Ritter, David Huggins married Grace Ehler; John Huggins, Jr. married Mary Elizabeth Reed, Elmie Huggins married Donald E. Woolever, and Wilma Huggins married Robert Kendrick.

Mary Huggins born 1868 died 1955 married 1892 William Wilmore born 1868 died 1959. Children: Ella G Wilmore, and E Rowie Wilmore married Lester Maclin Marlow.

Ella Huggins born 1871 died 1946 married

first Josephus Bird born 1861 died 1915 second J. A. Wise.

Elizabeth "Eliza" Huggins born 1873 died 1905.

Abjab Huggins born 1873 died 1926 married 1920 Jessie M. McQuaide. Children: Gaston Wade Huggins, and Margaret Emly Huggins.

Enoch Huggins born 1878 died 1946 married 1907 Gertrude McDonnough. Children: Gasperi Betty Lou Huggins, Male Huggins.

Margaret was a midwife and her name is on many of the early birth records in the Cudgetown area of Perry County. Margaret died on 1 November 1905 at the age of 71. William died on 5 September 1898 at the age of 66. They are both buried at the Cudgetown Cemetery. There head stones are beautifully carved and are fine examples of this kind of work done in that period.

Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings and Martha Pope Emling

## BIRD-LIPE

George Bird (*Thomas C. 1<sup>st</sup>*) was the second son of Thomas C. Bird and Nancy (Davis) Bird. He was born on 25 March 1832 in Perry County Illinois. Margaret was born in 1837. Her parents were George and Esther Lipe. She is the granddaughter of Leonard and Barbara (Wentz) Lipe. Leonard Lipe was a Revolutionary soldier who is buried at Nine Mile Cemetery.



George and Margaret (Lipe) Bird.

George and Nancy were married on 23 August 1855 in Perry County, Illinois. They had eight children who survived until adulthood. Their children and spouses follow: Henry Bird born 1855 married 1877 Rachel A. Queen born 1860 died 1924; Children: Nellie Bird married Richard Thompson, second husband William Calvin Huggins; Edel Bird married Lulu Holmes; Henry Bird, Jr.; George W. Bird, Jr. married Nettie Pearl (Wilson) McClure; Jacob Bird married Gertrude Wolfe; Lawrence Bird married Olla Blanche Craig; Henrietta Bird married Arthru Pharr, second husband George Kowalski; Arizella Bird married Jacob Clinton.

Emily Harriet Bird born 1858 died 1874.

William Bird born 1860 died 1900.

Edmond Bird born 1863 died 1934

Jacob Bird born 1864 died 1949 married 1888 Atta Harvey born 1870 died 1940. Children: Della Bird married Walter Omer; Edwin "Eddie" Bird; Irvine Jonas Bird married Elsie Goldie Marlow; Bessie Faye Bird married Roy Alferd Moss; Bertha Bird first married Lou Heape, second John W. Reiad; Marion Frank Bird.

Elzona Bird born 1869 died ? married 1884 Calvin Champion Baily born 1852 in Missouri died ?. Children: Margaret Elizabeth Baily married Johnson second husband John Blankensop;

Ed Baily; boy Baily, Jessie Baily, Marie Baily, and Nellie Baily.

N Signey Bird born 1871 died 1950 married 1<sup>st</sup> husband 1893 George Davis. Children, Vernie Bird; Leslie Davis. Second husband married 1902 William O'Daniel; third Husband married 1903 Andrew Tucker. Child, Violet Tucker.

Rosena P. Bird born 1878 died 1960 married 1899 Isaac Presley Hill born 1873 died 1949. Children: Loren Hill married Catherine Eichholz.; second wife Edna Kathleen Myers; Velma Hill married Charles Neal; Ivan Hill married Sophis Avoski; second wife Scrlilda Brown Dublo.

George and Margaret Lipe Bird are buried at Cudgetown Cemetery. Margaret died on 30 January 1895 at age 58 years. George died 12 July 1902 at age 70. Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings and Martha Pope Emling

## BIRD-MORRIS

Kenneth was born 5 April 1924 in Perry County to Dewey and Lily Ridgeway Bird of Du Quoin. He attended Du Quoin grade and high school. After high school, he worked on Little Grassy and Devil's Kitchen Lakes as an engineer's aide and then went to Millington, Tennessee and worked on the naval air base being constructed there.



L to R: Terry Bird, Frances (Morris) Bird, Kenneth Bird, Karen (Bird) Phipps.

He entered military service in April 1943 and served with the 368<sup>th</sup> Engineer Regiment in World War II. He served in England, Wales, France, Belgium, Holland and Germany. After being discharged, he married Mary Frances Morris of Sunfield on 25 September 1945.

He worked at Du Quoin Packing Company for 15 years. Then, in 1960 he went to work as a state and federal meat inspector for 25 years. He worked in over 100 different meat processing plants, including Swift and Wilson in Omaha, Nebraska and Rose and Jewel Tea in Chicago. He retired in 1986.

He and Frances have two children, Karen Sue who is married to Ronald Phipps and Terry who still lives at home. Karen and Ron have two children: Jennifer and Robert Phipps. Kenneth has a sister, Ruby Bird Szczeblewski of Du Quoin who is married to Sylvester (Spud) Szczeblewski. Rudy and Spud have three children: Jerry Szczeblewski and wife Paula, Brenda Webb and husband Larry, and Danny Szczeblewski of Chicago. Jerry has sons Christopher, Aaron and Jerry Jr. Brenda has a son Barry Bruk and a daughter, Jessica Webb. Danny is unmarried. Kenneth also has one brother Herschel William Bird who was married to the late Frances McTagert. Herschel has one step daughter, Judy Scarber Dunham and husband Ed of Winchester, Indiana and they have a daughter Denise



Pollock, wife of Dr. John Pollock and a son Darron Dunham. Kenneth's wife Frances has sisters Helen Pierce, Alice Dean Wilks, Marge Schenk and brothers, Joe and Gene Morris of Du Quoin.

## BIRD-TAYLOR

Daniel Bird (*John 2<sup>nd</sup>, Thomas C. 1<sup>st</sup>*) was the fourth son on John and Nancy Jane (White) Bird. He was born in Perry County, on 14 January 1869. On 21 August 1894 he wed Elizabeth "Lizzie" Taylor in Perry County, Illinois. She was born on 6 May 1877. Her obituary stated that she was the daughter of Ivan Taylor and Jane (Beecher) Taylor, but she stated that her parents were Jacob and Sarah (Place) Taylor on her marriage license to Daniel.



*Daniel Bird Family.*

The couple made their home in rural Perry County, in the Cudgetown area, near his large family. There were six children born in this family. Zane Bird born 1896, died 1981, married Lillian Gertrude Lee. They had one child, Opal. Dewey A. Bird born 1898 died 1991 married Lillie Ridgeway first and Isora Rees as his second wife. Dewey and Lillie were the parents of three children: Hershel William Bird, Kenneth Howard Bird and Ruby Louise Bird Szczeblewski. Grace Bird, born 1901 died 1968 married Arthur John Emling first and after Arthur's death she married Frank Stein. She and Arthur Emling were the parents of three children: Russel Arthur Emling, Velma (Emling) Devor and Leo Emling.

Clay Bird and Earl Bird (twins) were born on 28 September 1903. Clay retired from the Navy as a chief machinist's mate after 23 years service. He was married to Lela Brown. They had no children. He died 15 October 1965. Earl was married to Carrie Marie Henson. He died on 14 April 1929, a victim of a robbery and murder while stationed in Michigan. Some of the men in his company reported that he had just drawn five hundred dollars in pay, none of which was ever found. He had one son Robert Eugene Bird, Sr.

Daniel's and Lizzie's life together was for ever changed on a spring day near their home, which was close to the Little Beaucoup Creek. It was spring, the creek was running high with a swift current. Lizzie was crossing on a log with her new born son in her arms when she slipped and fell into the creek. She survived but the baby was lost.

Daniel and his family resided on what was then known as the H. B. Pope farm northwest of Du Quoin where he successfully cared for a large Elberta Peach Orchard. He retired after 25 years with the I.C.R.R. because he had been in poor health for several years.

Daniel died 9 August 1947 at age 78. Elizabeth died on 8 March 1964 at the age of 86. They

are both buried at he Du Quoin I.O.O.F. Cemetery along with their son, Earl Bird. *Submitted by Martha Pope Emling*

## BIRD-WHITE

John Bird (*Thomas C. 1<sup>st</sup>*) and Nancy Jane White were married 2 July 1857 in Perry County, Illinois. John was the oldest son of Thomas C. Bird and his wife Nancy (Davis) Bird and was born in Randolph County, Illinois. Nancy Jane White was daughter of Jane and Richard White of Washington County Illinois. At the time of her marriage, her mother was married to Patrick Huggins who signed the permission statement for her to marry.



*John Bird Family.*

To this union thirteen children were born, seven sons and six daughters, nine survived to adulthood according to John's obituary. They and their spouses are as follows: George Thomas (never married), Josephus who married Ella Huggins, Nancy Annie and husband James Foster, Daniel Bird who wed Elizabeth Taylor, Christina Louisa whose husband was William H. Murphy, Dollie Maria who wed James Broadus Huggins, Pleasant whose wife was Emma May Brown, Robert who married Myrtle Coulter, Wilford and his wife Nora Wolfe.

Three adult children died without issue: George Thomas "Tom" Bird, Josephus Bird, and Christina Louisa (Bird) Murphy. Tom was a wanderer. Daniel Bird received a telegram that stated simply "YOUR BROTHER TOM BIRD DIED YESTERDAY REQUEST DISPOSTION OF BODY." It was signed S. M. Compton, U.S. Public Health Service, Kansas City. Only one other of the adult children left the Perry County, Illinois area. Robert Bird and his children moved to Arkansas and then to Des Moines, Iowa.

August 15, 1862, John entered the 110 Regiment of the Illinois Volunteers and severed in both Co. H and D. He almost lost his arm when he was vaccinated by the Army. In his pension papers a local man states in his affidavit that "his arm was so bad I thought it was going to rot off." He was sent home by the Company Doctor who later died in battle. In a letter from his local physician, Dr. Dyer, he confirms John's condition and states that he was in good health before the vaccination. Both these letters are missing from the information that was sent to us by the National Archives. He rejoined his company on 26 January 1864. Grace Bird Emling stated in a letter to her cousin "Grandfather was a Civil War Vet. I understand that he was wounded in the war, came home with a limp. I can remember grandfather. I think I was eight years old when he died. He walked with a cane, had a long beard." He was discharged from the army on 8 June 1865 in Chicago, Illinois. His

health was forever changed. He began to lose his eye sight on returning home and before his death he was completely blind.

John was born 2 January 1830, died 10 October 1913. Nancy was born 6 January 1840, died 14 December 1904. Both are buried at Cudgetown Cemetery, (AKA; Meyers Grove Chapel Yard, Pleasant Grove). Nancy had a large marker at her grave but John had none. We are proud to say that Jon Bird's grave now has a bronze marker next to Nancy. *Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings and Martha Pope Emling*

## BIRD-WOLFE

Wilford Bird was born 28 May 1883 in Cudgetown, south of Pinckneyville, Illinois and died 1 February 1951. He was the youngest child of John and Nancy Jane White Bird. He married Nora Wolfe 14 August 1904 in Perry County, Illinois. Nora was born 4 September 1888 and died 8 July 1969. Nora was the second child of Rodney Wolfe and Louisa Killingsworth. Wilford and Nora lived all their lives in Perry County, Illinois. He was a farmer and worked in the coal mines. They had fifteen children, ten boys and five girls. Twelve survived to adulthood.



*Wilford and Nora (Wolfe) Bird Family.*

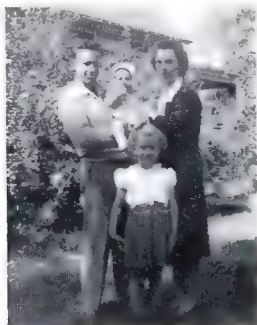
The children and their spouses are as follows: Herschel was born 13 April 1905 and died 9 February 1974. Herschel married Gladys L Heine 1 November 1930 in Washington County, Illinois. Gladys was born 9 October 1909 and died 11 July 1987. Orange was born 15 December 1906 and died 14 July 1986. Orange married Aleen Wilkerson 23 June 1928 in Washington County, Illinois. Aleen was born 14 March 1904 and died 30 April 1958. Jane was born 20 September 1908 and died 22 April 1991. Jane married Charles Uhe 15 October 1925 in Washington County, Illinois. Charles Uhe was born 28 November 1904 and died 27 March 1968. Herbert was born 8 May 1910 and died 18 April 1950. Herbert married Angeline Ruffino 29 July 1930 in Washington County, Illinois. Angeline was born 30 January 1912. Theodora (Ted) was born 16 June 1912 and died 3 August 1976. Ted married Zella 30 November 1934 in Washington County, Illinois. Zella Caldwell was born 23 October 1916 and died 17 July 1984. Dollie was born 7 November 1914. Dollie married her first husband Edward Buschschulte on 11 June 1930 in Perry County, Illinois. Edward was born 1 August 1905 and died 7 February 1967. Dollie's second husband Charles Hall married 13 September 1969. Charles Hall was born 21 December 1921 and died 3 August 1988. John was born 7 November 1917 and died 18 December 1919. Ervin was born 6 December 1919 and died 16 May 1943 in North Africa during WW II. Mervin was born 18 Decem-



ber 1921 and died 25 November 1970. Mervin married Bonnie Trent 10 July 1942 in California. Bonnie Trent was born 29 November 1924. Lincoln (Abe) was born 12 February 1924 and died 2 January 1991. Abe married Wainoma Newson on 17 March 1945. Wainoma was born 12 March 1929. Dora was born 17 June 1926 and died 5 September 1926. Nora was born 17 June 1926 and died 12 September 1926. James was born 23 November 1927. Arthur was born 25 August 1930. Arthur married Essie Weatherford 18 May 1969 in Washington County, Illinois. Essie was born 6 October 1935. Cornelia was born 10 December 1933. Cornelia married Louis Hurd 3 November 1951. Louis Hurd was born 10 February 1932. Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings

## BLAIR-THORNTON

Elsie (Thornton) Blair was born 23 June 1915 the daughter of Ferd and Stella (Manda) Thornton. Elsie was born and lived her early years in Matthews, located south of Pinckneyville.



L to R: Walter and Elsie Blair; L to R: Child standing, Marsha (Blair) Kostman and being held, Ann (Blair) Fox.

Elsie had three brothers, Ardell who lives with his wife Lois in Herrin, Illinois and Herschel who was killed in action in Germany during World War II and Berthal who died in infancy and four sisters. Edna who was married to Lawrence Harriss, Augusta who was married to Wilfred Thomas, Geraldine who was married to Milton McDonnough and Mabel who was married to Jim Livingston, also one half sister Deanna who is married to Robert Anderson. Elsie worked for 16 years at what was then called Decca Records now Universal Distribution. She currently resides in Pinckneyville.

Walter A. Blair born 21 December 1912 was the son of Guide and Anna Blair. Walt had one surviving brother Peter who died in mid life. Walter and his family moved from Owensboro, Kentucky to Rend City near Sesser and then to Jamestown in western Perry County. Walt worked for several years for the Pyramid Mining Company. Later he began his own business, operating a backhoe and trencher and laying various service lines for the city of Pinckneyville and for private customers. He also worked for many years at the Pinckneyville City Water and Sewage Treatment plant. Walter Blair passed away in July of 1980 at the age of 68. Walter married Elsie Thornton on 18 May 1935 and to this marriage was born two daughters, Marsha and Ann. Marsha married Charles Highland and to them were born three children: Valerie, Greg and Glenda. Marsha lives in Clayton, Missouri. She was married to Bill Kostman who passed away several years ago. Ann married Charles Fox of Du Quoin and to this mar-

riage were born two children, Terri in 1960 and Jeffrey in 1962. Ann and daughter Terri died in September of 1962 from a car accident south of Pinckneyville. Ann's son Jeffrey was not with his mother at the time of the accident and survived. Elsie and Walter adopted Jeff and raised him in their home in Pinckneyville.

The children of Marsha are: Valerie who married Gary Loeffler and they have three children: Carlene, Nathan and Leah. They reside in Belleville. Greg lives near his fathers home in Milstadt, Illinois and Glenda married John Bojoras. They live in Belleville. Glenda has a stepson, Jason Bojoras.

Ann's son Jeff, married Debbie (Pick) Blair and they reside in rural Pinckneyville where Jeff serves as Perry County Coroner, elected in 1992 and is currently serving his second term in office.

## BLANCHARD

Three brothers born and reared in Perry County several decades ago have pursued careers elsewhere but still consider Tamaroa their home.

The sons of the late Townsend and Anna Jackson Blanchard — Gene, Bob and Mark—are proud of their small-town roots. They are graduates of Tamaroa Grade School, Du Quoin High School and the University of Illinois. Gene and Bob retired recently while Mark anticipates retirement in a few years. Each has held various offices in religious, civic and professional organizations. They thank God for His many blessings, including their heritage, families and good health.



L to R: Mark, Gene and Bob Blanchard.

Gene (Townsend Eugene, born 30 January 1931) served as a Navy officer and then earned an MBA at Harvard University. He was one of the founders of Americana Nursing Centers, a prominent Midwestern chain. Later, he was the principal financial officer of a New York Stock Exchange Company and retired in 1997 after 18 years as the Chief Financial Officer of DynCorp, a very large private company which provides professional and technical services to the U.S. government and the United Nations. For many years, he was a director of the Financial Executives Institute, and his biography appears in *Who's Who in America*.

Gene married Peggy (Norman) Barr on 18 December 1960, and they currently live in McLean, Virginia. They have two sons, John and Stephen and two daughters, Susan and Jayne. John and his wife Megan (nee Hooper) have two daughters, Amanda and Kelly. Jayne and her husband, Eric Reishus, have two daughters, Kimberly and Julie and one son, Daniel. Stephen is married to the former Jeanette Cherry.

Bob (Robert, born 7 May 1932) is a retired

Air Force Colonel and pilot, having served five years on active duty and 26 years in the active Reserve at Scott AFB. After a tour of active duty in Japan and Korea, he joined the staff of the St. Louis Globe-Democrat as a reporter and editor. When the newspaper folded in 1984, he was Business and Financial Editor. Subsequently, he was public relations and military affairs director of the area chamber of commerce. He continued his military career, including a tour in Vietnam where he flew 75 combat missions.

Bob married Betty Lou Kirkpatrick of Dowell on 11 April 1959, and they have lived in Belleville since then. They have two sons, Robert Townsend and Kyle and a daughter, Janet. Robert and his wife Amy (nee Huck) are librarians in the Chicago area. Kyle and his wife, Cinnamon (nee Ernst) are teachers at Centralia. Janet and her husband, Guy Stevenson, who live in the Norfolk area have a daughter, Sarah, and a son, Daniel Robert. Kyle and Cinnamon have a son, Garrett Townsend.

Mark (born on 4 December 1940) served as an Army officer from 1963 to 1965 and then started his career at IBM. Today he is the Manager of Business Development for IBM Global Services. Mark's 33 year career has included various marketing and management positions, primarily on the East Coast, and he presently lives in Wilton, Connecticut.

Mark married Jean Prater of Trussville, Alabama on 24 July 1965 and they have two children, Elizabeth Jean, who lives in Maine and is employed at L.L. Bean, and a son, Ty (1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Townsend), an intelligence officer in the 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Kentucky.

While son Ty was at the University of Illinois, Mark became president of the U of I Dads Association ('91 and '92) a position his father, Townsend, held in '51 and '52 when his older brothers were in school.

## BOLINSKI-IFFERT

Robert Jerald Bolinski was born 5 November 1947, the youngest child of Felix Walter and Antonilla Adeline (Miller) Bolinski (see BOLINSKI-MILLER). He graduated from Pinckneyville community High School in 1965, and from 1967 to 1969 he served in the Vietnam War with the U.S. Army 195<sup>th</sup> Assault Helicopter Company.

On 31 January 1970, Bob married Patricia Elaine Iffert at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. Patty, the second child of Herbert Francis and Rita Ida (Schneider) (see IFFERT-SCHNEIDER), graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1969,

Bob and Patty had three children; Patricia Jayette, Robert Matthew, and Jacob Jerald. Jayette was born in Pinckneyville 13 December 1971; Bobby was born in Du Quoin 29 April 1977; and Jake was born in Nashville, Illinois 17 August 1983.

In 1974 Bob began his electrician apprenticeship in the Belleville, Illinois area. He has been a member of IBEW Local 309 ever since.

In 1980 Bob and Patty began constructing a home on a five acre parcel of land approximately 4 1/2 miles south of Pinckneyville, just north of Pyatt's Curve on State Highway 13/127. The home



sits on property that was once part of a farm belonging to Bob's maternal grandparents, Joseph and Mary (Epplin) Miller.

Patty was a homemaker, staying home to raise Jayette, Bobby, and Jake and in the 1980's she started her own business doing furniture and auto upholstery.

Jayette graduated from PCHS in 1990 and will graduate soon from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale with a bachelor's degree in journalism. Bobby graduated from PCHS in 1996. He enjoys fishing and working on automobiles and old tractors. Jake is currently a student at PIHS and has an extensive model railroad setup that he enjoys. *Submitted by Jayette Bolinski*

## BOLINSKI-KILICZEWSKI (KILLESHASHKI)



*L to R: Adults: Joseph Miller, Rosamund Leiner, Mary Miller, Alice Keck, Rose Bolinski, George O. Keck, Walter Bolinski, Bill Keck, Antonilla Bolinski; L to R: Children: Doris Beaty, Mary Frances, Felix, John and Jim Bolinski and Carl Miller Picture taken 1944 in East St. Louis, Illinois.*

Walter F. Bolinski was born 14 February 1886 in Nanticoke, Pennsylvania, the second child of John and Josephine (Reuminiski) Bolinski. In 1904 he married Rose A. Killeshashki, the daughter of John and Agnes (Anna) Kiliczewski, in Dillonvale, Ohio. Rose was born 30 September 1888 in Warsaw, Poland.

Walter worked much of his life in the coal mines; he started digging coal in Pennsylvania when he was 11 years old. He operated the Bolinski Coal Mine north of Pinckneyville during the 1930's along with his son, Felix, and two brothers-in-law, Walter Gobjajewicz and Chester Bogdajewicz.

He later worked for Fisher Body in St. Louis, and it was from there that he retired.

Walter and Anna lived on Chester Street in Pinckneyville. They had three children: Alice, Felix Walter and Helen L.

Alice was born in 1905. She married George Oliver Keck, the son of George F. and Alma Keck, 3 September 1928. Alice and George lived in St. Louis, where he was a police officer. They had one child, William, who was born 13 August 1929 in Pinckneyville.

Bill married Patricia Thompson, and they had seven children: Michael William, born 17 March 1952; Deborah Ann, born 6 March 1953; Robert Lee, born 23 July 1954; Thomas Gerald, born 10 October 1959; John Richard, born 18 March 1960; James Walter, born 14 February 1961; and Mark Steven, born 30 December

1961. Pat died 28 February 1994 and is buried in St. Louis.

Alice died of cancer in January 1949, and she is buried in Calvary Cemetery in St. Louis.

Felix was born 26 December 1907, at Clifford No. 8 mining camp near Herrin, Illinois on 4 September 1931, he married Antonilla Adeline Miller at the Franklin County Courthouse in Benton, Illinois. (See BOLINSKI-MILLER). They had seven children: Mary Frances, John Edward, Elizabeth Louise, Felix Joseph, James Alan, Doris Ann and Robert Jerald.

Helen was born 18 April 1912. She married Albert L. Stiehl in Perry County on 8 June 1937. They divorced and she later married John Radebaugh. Helen lived in St. Louis, and she died 13 December 1986. She is buried in the St. Bruno Catholic Cemetery in Pinckneyville.

raised seven children: Mary Frances, born 7 October 1932; John Edward, born 24 December 1934; Elizabeth Louise, born 14 April 1937; Felix Joseph, born 4 February 1939; James Alan, born 3 July 1941; Doris Ann, born 15 November 1943 and Robert Jerald born 5 November 1947.



*L to R: Mary Frances Kelly, Scott Isaac Kelly, Antonilla Bolinski, Daniel Ray Kelly and baby Isaac Scott Kelly. Five Generations taken 28 November 1997.*

Mary Frances married Bill Kelly, the son of Palmer and Rose Kelly on 17 September 1951 at the St. Bruno Catholic Church in Pinckneyville. They had five children: David William, Daniel Ray, Dennis Mark, Karen Annette, and Kevin Michael.

John married Barbara Wright who had two children, Eric Hill and Roxanne Hill from a previous marriage.

Betty's first child was Michael Alan Pearson. She later married Arthur Hottes, and they had twin daughters, Laura Jean and Lisa Jane. Arthur died in an automobile accident during the 1970's and he is buried in Swanwick, Illinois. Betty is now married to Nelson Werger and they reside in Pinckneyville.

Felix married Colletta Fisher on 29 October 1960. They had two children: Jeffrey Eugene and Richard Allen. They divorced and Felix and his current wife, Carole, now live in Arizona.

Doris married James Beaty on 21 September 1963 in Du Quoin (see BOLINSKI-BEATY). They have four children: Dwayne Allen, James Wesley, DeAnn Lynette, and Travis Lee.

Bob married Patricia Iffert on 31 January 1970 in Du Quoin (see BOLINSKI-IFFERT). They have three children: Patricia Jayette, Robert Matthew and Jacob Jerald.

Felix died 22 December 1967 in Pinckneyville at the age of 59. He is buried in the St. Bruno Catholic Cemetery in Pinckneyville. *Submitted by Jayette Bolinski*

## BRAATZ

Fred (or Fredrick) and Johanna Braatz came from Germany. Little is known about them. They are buried in the Round Prairie Cemetery (have also seen it as Goldman Cemetery) Perry County, Illinois. Fred's tombstone has no dates but from the fact there are four family graves, the other three in order of date of death rather than couples side by side, it is possible he died before August Kuhl who died on 23 August 1886 or 87. Johanna Braatz (1824-1896)

According to obituary of one child, there were eight children in the family. The oldest was Henrietta Wilhelmina (Braatz) Kuhl (article in this book). The youngest was Frederic Braatz who married William Shermer. They also lived in Perry County. Frederic had three children that is

## BOLINSKI-MILLER

Felix W. Bolinski was born 26 December 1907, at Clifford No. 8 mining camp near Herin, the second child of Walter F. and Rose A. (Kiliczewski) Bolinski (see BOLINSKI-KILICZEWSKI). On 4 September 1931, Felix married Antonilla Adeline Miller at the Franklin County Courthouse in Benton, Illinois. Antonilla was born 12 September 1914 the oldest child of Joseph and Mary (Epplin) Miller.

Antonilla was raised five miles south of Pinckneyville on her parents' farm near Pyatt's Station. She attended Baird School, a one room schoolhouse at Pennyville, Illinois. She later attended high school in Pinckneyville.

With his father and two uncles, Felix operated the Bolinski Coal Mine north of Pinckneyville during the 1930's. He became a construction electrician in 1938. During World War II he worked at Armour Packing in East St. Louis as a maintenance electrician. He owned and operated Bolinski Electric on South Walnut Street in Pinckneyville during the late 1940's. All of his sons became construction electricians as well.

Felix and Antonilla made their home on Locust Street in Pinckneyville, just west of St Bruno Catholic Church. It was in this home that they



known about, order of birth is unknown: Frank C. Schermer, Oscar Frederick Schermer, and Mary (Schermer) Krmitzski. There was a Julius Braatz in the area but it has not been verified how he fits in this family. *Submitted by Janeet Hutching Amelunke*

## BRADLEY-LANAHAN

Michael Bradley was born 22 June 1820 and died 22 December 1909. He married Ellen Lanahan, born 18 May 1833, died 23 March 1916. Both buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin. Tradition says the first mass in the Du Quoin area was at the home of Michael Bradley with a marble topped three chest serving as the altar. Father Cusack of Vandalia said this mass. Tradition also says a child, John Bradley was baptized after this mass, making him the first to receive the sacrament in Perry County. A church was dedicated on 19 April 1868 with Father Klocke as the parish priest.

Michael and Ellen's children were Jim; Margaret "Maggie," Ellen, born 25 September 1853, died 30 October 1909, buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery; Dennis born 1855, died 19 October 1928 and Dan, born 12 January 1865, died 9 April 1950, also buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery.

Ellen Bradley, born 1853, married William Roper. They had two children, Henry and Mary. Henry Roper was born 23 October 1879 and was christened 2 November 1879 at Sacred Heart Church with Michael and Mary Bradley as sponsors. Mary Roper was born 16 November 1884 and christened on 23 November 1884 at Sacred Heart Church with Daniel Bradley and his sister, Maria. Maria probably was Mary.

Margaret "Maggie" Bradley died 6 December 1933. She is buried in White Hill Cemetery, Paradise Prairie, Perry County Illinois. She married Robert D. Wolfe. They had a daughter, Nellie Opal Wolfe who married Lewis Robert Heape, son of Abraham Heape and Anna Kroeger. They had a son, Robert Lewis Heape. Robert married Edythe Katherine Miller 9 September 1947. They had two daughters, Robin Lynn, born 1951, who married Robert Juhl and Randee Jane born 1960 who married Blaine Bastien.

Daniel J. Bradley, born 1865, married Nell Redden, born 10 March 1861, died 4 August 1955. Both Dan and his brother, Jim, had company stores for the local mines. Dan's was in Dowell, Illinois and Jim's was in Elkhaville, Illinois. Dan had two sons, Harold and Jacob Paul, born 18 (or 28) April 1897, died 10 October 1938. Jacob Paul married Clarice Parsons. *Submitted by Eugene Bradley Commear*

## BRADLEY-PETERS

Dennis Bradley was born 1855 and died 19 October 1928 at the age of 74 years and six months. He was the son of Michael Bradley and Ellen Lanahan. He married Caroline Peters, daughter of John Peters and Mary Boetcher, on 1 October 1891. Caroline was born in 1860 and died in 1940. She is buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois.

Their children were : (1) Rose Catherine Bradley, born 15 January 1893, died 2 December 1986; (2) Margaret Veronica Bradley, born 18 October 1894. Margaret Veronica was christened on 11 November 1894 at Sacred Heart Church with sponsors Jacob Bradley and his sister, Mary; (3)

Mary Ann "Marie" Bradley, born 14 February 1897, died 11 August 1983, buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery; (4) Mary Magdalena Bradley born 26 October 1899, christened 29 October 1899 at Sacred Heart Church. The sponsors are Antonio Hensler and wife, Mary Esther Bradley.

Rose Catherine Bradley was born 15 January 1893, died 2 December 1986 and is buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery. She married John T. Helmer 8 May 1912. Their children are (1) Caroline Helmer; (2) Johnie Mathew Helmer, born 18 April 1915 and died 15 June 1916; (3) Catherine Helmer; and (4) Gertrude Genevive Helmer, born 6 September 1921 and died 29 January 1922.

Caroline Helmer married Alfred Gronwald and they had a son John Frederick Gronwald.

Catherine Helmer married Frank Miller. Their children are: (1) Father Thomas Miller, a Catholic priest; (2) Barbara Ann Miller. Barbara married and divorced John Degler. *Submitted by Eugene Bradley Commear*

## BRAND-EPLIN

Theresa Eplin born 17 July 1911 the second daughter of Joe J. and Elizabeth (Miller) Eplin was married 28 September 1932 to Edward C. Brand born 14 February 1910, a son of Christian and Mary (Zacheral) Brand. They have seven children: Elizabeth, Edward J. Teresa Ann, Joseph A., Mary, Marguerite, and James C. (see Joe EPLIN-MILLER)

Elizabeth born 28 June 1933 in Perry County was married 27 October 1955 at Pinckneyville to Albert Kellerman born 29 November 1931 in Perry County a son of Adam and Ann (Ledendecker) Kellerman. Albert and Elizabeth had five children: Peter J. born 27 July 1956, Patrick H. born 20 October 1958, Frank E. born 11 October 1961, Fred A. born 9 May 1964 and Jeannette D. born 11 October 1970 all at Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Edward J. born 7 July 1934 in Perry County was married 30 May 1960 at Pinckneyville to Barbara Bathon born 13 May 1940 in Perry County a daughter of Adam and Mary (Buschschulte) Bathon. (see Page 38 Volume I) Edward and Barbara have eight children: Davaid A. born 18 March 1961, Stephen E. born 26 April 1962, Donald A born 5 September 1963, Michael A. born 23 September 1964, Debra A. born 19 February 1966, Janet M. born 1 December 1967, Dwayne J. born 3 December 1970 and Randal J. born 7 September 1973 all at Pinckneyville.

Teresa Ann born 21 October 1935 in Perry County was married 20 April 1968 at Pinckneyville to Joseph Klecker born 28 May 1931 in Wisconsin a son of Hugo and Anne (Brasky) Klecker. They have five children: Karen M born 10 July 1969, Joseph E. born 15 January 1971, Stephen J. born 8 September 1972, Mary T. born 25 March 1974 and Edward J. born 31 January 1976 at Watertown Wisconsin.

Joseph A. born 24 August 1941 in Perry County was married 22 August 1963 at Tamaroa, Illinois to Betty Block born 25 January 1945 at Du Quoin a daughter of Max and Zelma (Koss) Block. They have four children: Danny J. born 7 July 1964, Michelle M. born 6 October 1966, Chad A. born 16 May 1968 and Jennifer L. born 9 May 1974 al at Pinckneyville.

Mary born 21 June 1945 in Perry County was married 11 November 1963 at Pinckneyville to David Herbert Degenhardt born 4 June 1944 at Pinckneyville a son of Joseph and Cora (Viers)

Degenhardt. (see Page 84 Volume I) David and Mary have two children: David J. born 26 June 1964 at St. Louis, Missouri and Annette D. born 5 May 1976 at Belleville, Illinois.

Marguerite born 29 September 1948 was married 4 July 1967 at Pinckneyville to Ronald Spencer born 5 January 1948 at Des Moines, Iowa a son of James and Wilma Fay (Billups) Spencer. They have three children: Angelia T. born 17 July 1968, Nancy Ann born 24 June 1970 and Rhonda L. born 21 June 1972 all at Pinckneyville, Illinois.

James C. born 4 October 1953 at St. Louis was married 3 May 1975 at Pinckneyville to Carol Kellerman born 5 March 1953 at Du Quoin a daughter of Norman and Frances (Grzegorek) Kellerman. They have one child: Tracy Lynn born 14 April 1977 at Pinckneyville.

*Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## SANDRA BIGHAM BRAY

Sandra Jane Bigham Bray was born 7 December 1960 at Rockford Memorial Hospital. Her parents are Orel (born 14 January 1930) and Shirley Martin Bigham (born 11 September 1934). Her grandparents are Simon (born 27 July 1904; died 28 August 1945) and Florence Mentel Martin (born 2 September 1904; died 15 July 1960) and William Leslie (born 30 April 1994; died 26 May 1963) and Ernestine Heisner Bigham (born 12 September 1902; died 11 November 1942). Sandra has an older sister, Beth and an older brother, Gary.



Back Row: Sandra; L to R Front Row: Sarah, Katherine and Elizabeth.

Sandra went to Kindergarten at District #50 and then to St. Bruno's Catholic School for grades one through eight, graduating in 1975. She attended Pinckneyville Community High School, graduating in the Class of 1979.

She attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale majoring in Elementary Education. At SIU-C she was a member of Sigma Kappa Sorority. She graduated from Southern in 1983.

She taught for ten years in the St. Louis area. The first two years were at St. Bartholomew Catholic School where she taught children in grades 5-8 departmental Science. The next eight years she spent teaching fourth grade in the School District of Maplewood-Richmond Heights. From 1994-1997 she taught Language Arts and Religion to children in grades 5-8 at St. Charles Borromeo Catholic School in Du Bois, Illinois and Religion to students in grades 1 and 2. In July, 1997, she was hired as Principal of St. Bruno Catholic School.

She has three daughters: Sarah Jane (born 6 October 1987); and twins, Elizabeth Anne and Katherine Anne (born 4 December 1990). The girls attend St. Bruno Catholic School and partici-



pate in various activities through their church and school. Sarah particularly enjoyed her first year on the Volleyball Team. They are active in Khoury League and swimming during the summer and enjoy riding bicycles as often as possible.

## BRIDENSTIEN-MAXTON

Jesse Joshua Bridenstine was born 3 September 1896 in Williamson County and was the oldest of four children belonging to Joshua an Emma Malone Bridenstine.

His early years were spent in Carbondale where at the age of 17 he went to work as a "call boy" was promoted to clerk, then to fireman and attained his dream as engineer. Through his advancements, he worked in the local yards in Du Quoin the "cut off" from Paducah to Bluford, in Fulton, Kentucky on freight and passenger runs from Cairo to St. Louis and Cairo to Centralia. At the time of his retirement, he was an engineer on a passenger run from Centrally to North Cairo. He came to Du Quoin in 1915 where he resided until his death on 12 July 1983. He worked at various coal mines (Majestic, Old Gayle and Pyramid) on their "dinky" engine during the depression when he was laid off from the railroad. He was an avid gardener and was known for the beautiful flowers he raised and shared with family, friends, and church.

Jesse was married to Margaret Ellen Maxton, daughter of Reverend William and Margaret (Wilson) Maxton on 2 November 1917. She was born in Lyons, Kansas and lived there until she was 9 years old when her father re-married. She came to Du Quoin in 1908 from Indianapolis.

To this union were born six children: Margaret Emma Ellen married Oattie P. Carter; Marceil Josephine married Orland J. Reminger; Frances Jeane married George Girdner; Mary Lou married William Hammack; Catherine McAra married William Odum (then John Khory); and Jess Joshua married Nancy Roe.

## BRIDGEWATER

Andrew M. (or J.) Bridgewater was born 1800-1810 and died 16 April 1844 in Perry County Illinois. Andrew married Rebecca before 1830. Sources of information: Perry County, Illinois Probate Records, Box 301 file 27 Andrew, SR. and Perry County, Illinois Marriages. They lived in T5-R4 of Perry County, Illinois

Children of Andrew and Rebecca Bridgewater are: 1) Louvisa Jane Bridgewater, born 1830; 2) Margaret Evans Bridgewater, born 30 June 1837 in Adams County, Illinois; died 25 January 1913, and buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; 3) Elizabeth Bridgewater, born 1839 in Illinois. She married Hosea Murphy 1858; and 4) Andrew M. Bridgewater, Jr. born 1842 in Illinois.

1840 Census of Illinois, Randolph County, Page 244 shows Andrew Bridgewater (30 to 40 years old) living with a woman who is 30 to 40 years old. It appears they had eight children, 3 boys and 5 girls.

Living Commean relatives believe the Bridgewater's ancestors were full blooded Cherokee Indian and fought in the Civil War. The Bridgewaters were originally from Alabama/Mississippi it is believed. Two of the Bridgewater Indians who fought in the civil War are buried in Mississippi or Louisiana. Marion Clay Commean

saw the Indians' graves. Two of the Bridgewater Indians were part of the Trail of Tears march and dropped out to settle in Illinois and/or fight in the Civil War. The identities of the two Bridgewater Indians are currently unknown.

Louvisa Jane Bridgewater was born 1830. She married (1) William C. Jones and (2) Joseph E. Moye 24 January 1850 in Jackson County, Illinois son of Joseph Moye and Lovinda Davenport.

Children of Louvisa Bridgewater and Joseph Moye are: 1) John Washington Moye, died 23 August 1926 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. John Washington Moye married Martha Thompson; and 2) Andrew Jackson Moye, born 17 November 1854 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois died 24 March 1936 in Du Quoin, Perry County Illinois. Andrew Jackson Moye married [1] Mary Jane Rees and [2] Sarah Elizabeth Norman 7 August 1884 in Murphysboro, Jackson County Illinois.

Andrew M. Bridgewater, Jr. was born 1842 in Illinois. He married (1) Eliza "Jane" Edgar, daughter of Adam Edgar. He married (2) Margaret V. Bruitt 15 June 1860 daughter of Joseph Bruitt.

Child of Andrew Bridgewater and Eliza Edgar is Alice V. Bridgewater, born 1866 in Perry County, Illinois. Alice married Charles K. Kellogg in 1885.

Andrew M. Bridgewater, Jr. was a Civil War Veteran. Andrew, a private in Company C, 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry, was mustered out 5 August 1865, History of Randolph, Monroe and Perry Counties Illinois originally published in 1883, page 223.

*Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

## BRIDGEWATER-JEREMIAH

Margaret Evans Bridgewater was born 30 June 1837 in Adams County, Illinois, died 25 January 1913 and is buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois daughter of Andrew and Rebecca Bridgewater. Margaret married (1) John H. Yancey 1 February 1855 in Perry County, Illinois, son of William Yancey and Rachel Duncan and (2) John Jeremiah in 1867. John Jeremiah was born in Ponter Pool, South Wales in 1830. John Jeremiah died on 4 January 1921. John Jeremiah married (1) Sarah Joy Edmund and (2) Margaret Evan Yancey nee Bridgewater. The IOOF Cemetery Records with Genealogy Book, Du Quoin, Illinois published by Cricket Press 1993, states that Margaret Yancey nee Bridgewater married John Jeremiah.

Children of Margaret Bridgewater and John Jeremiah are: 1) Thomas J. Jeremiah, born 10 June 1868 in Steeleville, Illinois; died 4 March 1920 is buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County Illinois. Thomas married Elizabeth Davis 1892. Thomas J. Jeremiah lived in Du Quoin and then Willisville, Illinois; 2) Alfred G. Jeremiah, born May 1870 in Illinois; died 9 July 1917 and buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County Illinois. Alfred lived in Percy, Illinois; 3) Solomon Jeremiah, born 11 May 1874 in Illinois; died 31 March 1935 at home in Du Quoin, Illinois and buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois. Solomon married Pearl Howell 1896; and 4) Emma H. Jeremiah, born 11 February 1875 in Illinois; died 13 June 1949 and buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Emma married Fred Kennedy.

John Jeremiah immigrated to United States in 1852 per note on Genevieve Rainey's genea-

logical index card collection located in the Du Quoin Public Library. John Jeremiah was a coal miner.

*Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

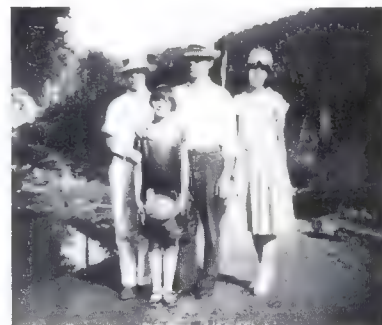
## BROCK FAMILY



*Irene Brock.*



*Wilson Brock and Stella (Maples) Brock about 1930.*



*L to R Back Row: Charles R. Brooks Jr., Charles R. Brooks Sr., Veron Athlee Brooks; Front: Billie Geraldine Brooks.*



*Geroe, Bernice and Linda Replyuk.*





*L to R Back Row: William Louis Bosso, Mark Douglas Bosso, Bradley Keith Bosso; L to R Next Row: Mamie Brock Bosso, Diana Brunswig, Scott Michael Bosso, William Keith Bosso, Megan Alexandra Buchner; L to R Next Row: Mark Eugene Buchner, Lynn Toenger Bosso, Diane Bosso Buchner, Elizabeth Diane Buchner; L to R Front Row: Gavin Mark Buchner, Ethan Alexander Buchner, Douglas Paul Bosso.*

## NEPHTHALI AND MARTHA BROCK

Nephtali Brock married Martha Starnes in DeKalb County, Tennessee on 30 August 1854. The union was blessed with the following children: Mary Josephine Brock born 6 March 1855 married Horace S. [Doc] Winfree in Cove Hollow, Tennessee. Thomas J. Brock born 4 December 1857. Charles A. Brock born 18 October 1860 married Mollie Christian in Du Quoin, Illinois. Joseph Brock born 29 September 1864 married Tempe in Clinton, Indiana. Liza Brock born 1868. Edna C. Brock born 1870. Eugenia Brock born 1872. Clarence Nephtali Brock born 10 April 1869 married Matilda Jane Harriss Du Quoin, Illinois both buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Du Quoin. James Troy Brock born 6 August 1874 buried IOOF Cemetery Du Quoin, Illinois in 1937.



*L to R Back Row: Elizabeth Dunbar and Oscar Nephtali Brock; L to R Front Row: Fay Bernice and Mamie Lee Brock, Taken about 1929.*

Mr Nephtali Brock was a teacher of some renown. He volunteered into the Confederate Army at the beginning of the Civil War. He changed his mind on the subject of slavery and deserted about Christmas of 1863. When he arrived back home in a Rebel uniform, a friend advised him to burn it before some one turned him in. He took their advice. A few days later, in January of 1864 he enlisted in company 1, the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment of the Tennessee 4<sup>th</sup> Infantry of the Union Forces. He was given an honorable discharge on the 22<sup>nd</sup> of July 1865. He resumed teaching until 1<sup>st</sup> October 1876. He and the small girls, Edna and Eugenia drank some milk from a cow that had eaten poison milkweed. They all three died and were buried in the Mt. Holly Cemetery at Smithville,

Tennessee. They were buried in a single coffin with a child in each of the father's arms.

The mother Martha [Starnes] Brock and all the remaining children moved to Du Quoin, Illinois about 1880. She was born in DeKalb County, Tennessee in 1835. She died in Du Quoin in 1894 and was buried in the IOOF Cemetery. Mary Josephine [Aunt Josie] and her husband returned to Daylight, Tennessee after a few months. Fred Brock worked as a coal miner and a carpenter. He and Esther had three children: Wilson Brock, WWI Hero, Willie Brock, who married Charles Brooks and Irene Brock, a Du Quoin school teacher from 1920 until the 1970's. Charles Brock married Mollie and started a candy factory on the north side of Main St. between Oak and Division St. He became very successful and later moved to San Bernadino, California. Their son Frank took over the company after his father's death. The factory has now earned a national reputation and distributes throughout the USA as Brock Candies. Thomas J. Brock died at the age of 2 in Tennessee. Joseph worked in and around Du Quoin for a few years then moved to Clinton, Indiana where he married Tempe. They had Jesse, a WWI veteran and a daughter Eddie and Bill. The entire family harvested Muscle Shells from the Wabash River for a button factory. Joseph died about 1932 in Clinton, Indiana. Clarence worked in the candy store owned by his older brother and met a newly hired beauty, Matilda Harriss. She had just returned from a trip to Texas. She went from Paradise Prairie to Texas in a covered wagon with her family. They waited until the railroad was completed before they returned about 1884. Clarence and Matilda were married in 1888 in Du Quoin. He worked as a cola miner at the Greenwood Slope mine and owned a farm in Paradise Prairie. Now, in 1997 the farm is owned by Phillip Lamar Alvis. They have two children who grew to adulthood. Oscar Nephtali, a WWI veteran who married Elizabeth [Bess] Dunbar, and Leota Joy who married Fred Keller.



*L to R Back Row: Joseph Capshaw Brock, Clarence Nephtali Brock, James Troy Brock, youngest child; L to R Front Row: Charley Brock, Frederick Brock, Martha C. Starnes Brock, mother; Upper Left, Mary Josephine Brock Winfree, eldest child; Upper right, Nephtali I. Brock, father.*

James Troy Brock never married. He had a rheumatic fever attack when he was about 20 years old leaving him with a bad heart and bent stature. He lived with his older brother, Clarence and wife Matilda until their death, then he lived with his niece Leota and her husband, Fred Keller. He was affectionately called Uncle Jim. He worked as a cook and carpenter. He was a great raconteur. He died in 1937 of a heart attack. Jim was buried in the IOOF cemetery in Du Quoin.

The only living descendants carrying this Brock name in the area are the daughters of Oscar and Bess [Dunbar] Brock. They are Bernice Brock [Replyuk] and Mamie Lee Brock [Bosso]

## BROOKS-THOMPSON

Marilyn Sue (Thompson) Brooks (born 3 August 1940 at her parents' home in Paradise Community) is the third of three daughters of the late Stephen Earl and Frances Elizabeth (Bradley) Thompson of Tamaroa, Illinois formerly of Franklin County, Illinois. Marilyn's grandparents were Stephen Alexander and Frances Roestta (Melshunk) Thompson and Marshall R. and Parzetta Elizabeth (Arterberry) Bradley, all of Franklin County, Illinois.



*L to R Back Row: Darryl and Beth Vancil, Tami and David Alvis, Marilyn and Robert Brooks; L to R Front Row: Bailey and Brooke Vancil, Heather and Scott Opp.*

Robert Allen Brooks (born 3 December 1937 at his parents' home in the Holden community north of Du Quoin) is the second of two sons of Elva Arleen (Wilks) and the late Hallie Brooks of Du Quoin, Illinois. Bob's grandparents were Thomas Reuban and Ursula (Jackson) Brooks of Du Quoin and James Harvey and Lena Bertha (Holden) Wilks of Tamaroa, Illinois.

Bob graduated from Teague Grove Grade School in 1952 and attended Du Quoin Township High School until his junior year when he joined the U.S. Air Force. He served from 1955-59. Bob was a hydraulic specialist for fighter aircraft. Upon discharge he held the rank of Airman First Class. Bob received his GED in 1989.

Marilyn graduated from Winthrop Grade School in rural Tamaroa in 1954 and from Tamaroa High School in 1958. Following graduation, Marilyn was employed as secretary for Taylor Brothers Welding in Tamaroa for three years.

On 21 May 1960, Bob and Marilyn were united in marriage at Paradise Baptist Church. The ceremony was officiated by the late Reverend Wroth B. Woolsey of Sunfield. To this union were born Tami Elaine on 23 July 1961, Beth Ann on 26 June 1964 and Heather Dawn on 29 December 1969.

Tami graduated from J.B. Ward Junior High in 1975 and Du Quoin High School in 1979. In May, 1996, she graduated summa cum laude from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with and Associated of Applied Science Degree in Office Systems Specialties. Tami is employed at SIUC in the Rehabilitation Institute as an Office Systems Specialist II.

On June 29, 1996, Tami married David Charles Alvis, son of George and Louise (Bush) Alvis of Du Quoin. David is employed at Menard Correctional Center in Chester, Illinois as a correctional officer. David has four children: Tobias,



Devoney, Jaymon and Jaron, all who reside in Du Quoin. His children are active in school and sports activities at Sacred Heart Catholic School and Du Quoin High School.

Tami and David reside on Route 3, Du Quoin, in the home where Tami grew up. Tami and David are active members of Second Baptist Church in Du Quoin. Tami and David's interests include attending David's children's sports activities, walking, fishing and other outdoor activities, and spending time with family and friends.

Beth graduated from J.B. Ward Junior High in 1978 and from Du Quoin High School in 1982. On 23 October 1982, Beth married Darryl Richard Vancil, son of John and Elaine (Timpner) Vancil of Sunfield. Beth and Daryl have two children: Bailey Allen born 19 July 1988 and Brooke Lynn born 2 February 1990. They reside on Bailey Lane in Sunfield. At the present time, Darryl and Beth are full time farmers. Bailey is currently in the fourth grade at Ward Middle School. Brooke is currently in second grade at Wheatley School. They enjoy family activities.

Heather graduated from J.B. Ward Junior High in 1984 and from Du Quoin High School in 1988. She continued her education for two years at John A. Logan College where she graduated with an Associated Degree in accounting. She is currently employed as manager of the Hardware Department at Wal-Mart in Du Quoin. On 25 January 1992, Heather married Robert Scott Opp, son of Robert B. and Judith R. (Bookstaver) Opp of Tamaroa. Scott is a self employed farmer. Scott and Heather reside on Route 2, Tamaroa. Scott enjoys working and Heather's hobbies are sports, outdoor activities and her animals.

Bob and Marilyn are active members of Nine Mile Baptist Church where they teach the third and fourth grade Sunday School class and Marilyn sings in the Adult Choir. Bob's hobbies are guns, hunting, fishing, and doing some wood crafting. Marilyn enjoys reading, music, bike riding, and collecting family memorabilia. They also enjoy spending time with their grandchildren and taking Bailey and Brooke on short trips.

Bob worked at Blue Bell Packing company for nine years before being employed with Freeman Coal Corporation. He worked 31 and 1/2 years for Freeman. On 1 December 1997, Bob retired from the mines due to his mine closing on 26 April 1997. On that same day, 26 April 1997, the Brooks moved to Marilyn's childhood home (the Earl Thompson place) on Route 1, Tamaroa. Marilyn is a housewife and part time employee of District 300. She is a Teacher's Assistant for Kindergarten at Wheatley School. *Submitted by Robert A and Marilyn Sue Brooks*

## BROSTMAYER-HARTWELL

Norman "Tex" Brostmeyer was born in January 1926, the son of William L. Brostmeyer and Emma E. Feltmeyer. He married the former Pat Hartwell Woolbright on 11 February 1961. Pat was a young widow whose husband was killed in a mining accident in 1959. She had two daughters: Kathy who was almost three, and Peggy who was only 8 days old. Tex adopted the girls and has always been a loving father.

Tex was the last elected sheriff whose family lived in the residence quarters of the old county jail. Tex and his family moved into the jail in 1966 when he was 40 years old. Pat was 30, Kathy 10 and Peggy 7. At the time Tex was sheriff he was

allowed one full time deputy and two part time. His full time deputy was Wilbur "Beak" McCrary, and the part time deputies were Loren Felts and Lawrence Caldwell. They were also allowed one full time employee and one part time to help at the jail. Theresa Schubert and Rowena Casey both worked there as housekeeper's and cooks. The prisoners ate the same meal that the sheriff's family was served. They kept coffee warm 24 hours a day. There was always a state trooper or some other law enforcement personnel transporting or bringing in prisoner's.



*Tex and Pat Brostmeyer.*

The girls enjoyed living at the jail. When the cell block was empty the girls and their friends would use it to roller skate and play "cops and robbers." They had a German shepherd, Gretchen, for a pet who was to protect them in case of a jail break. There were several jail breaks during this time. The concrete had gotten so old that they could literally dig their way out through the basement. One particular stormy night two inmates managed to dig out, but decided to crawl back in because the weather was so bad. At the time the county didn't want to pay the extra money to have a full time jailer. So if Tex was on patrol, his wife Pat or Rowena would fill in that capacity.

It was an unusual experience for the family and one they look back on fondly. At the time Tex was sheriff there was a one time term limit, so after he completed his time as sheriff he became an auditor for the state of Illinois. He retired in 1990 and he and Pat now live at 713 Palace Drive in Pinckneyville. They now have four grandchildren. Tod Hardacre who is married and lives at Ft. Polk, Louisiana with his wife, Ginger and step children, Jesus and Amber. Tod is a specialist in the army. Jon Hardacre lives in Pinckneyville with his mother, Kathy and step father, Joel Thompson. Knox and Campbell Allen live with their parents Peg and Mark in Oregon. Peg and Mark Allen have also lived in Pusan Korea and Bangkok, Thailand. Their grandchildren's birthdays are: Tod 25 September 1976; Jon 28 July 1981; Knox 10 August 1990 and Campbell 2 July 1992.

## BROSTMAYER-KRISEL

Baltasar Brostmeyer was born 1 August 1828 near Kusel, Germany. Anna Chadarina Krisel was born on 15 July 1836 in the area of Hessen, Germany. Baltasar and Anna married on 1 January 1855 in Meadville, Pennsylvania and lived there until 1860. Three of their ten children were born in Meadville: Anna Gertrude, 25 December 1855 to 15 December 1942, never married; Henry W. 5 July 1857 to 1 March 1938, married Caroline Daniels on 12 October 1882; Lewis W., 6 June 1859 to 20 June 1939, married first wife Bertha

Lambert on 17 October 1886 and second wife Victoria Himmelstalze.

They left Pennsylvania in a covered wagon and traveled to the Ohio River. They dismantled their wagon and took it on the boat with them to Cairo, Illinois and then up the Mississippi River to East St. Louis. They went to Belleville, Illinois where they stayed with friends until they were able to rent a farm which was south of New Athens, Illinois. Their son George was born there in 1861. He died in infancy and buried near the farm.



*Fred J and Anna (Brostmeyer) Beck.*

They purchased a farm eight miles west of Pinckneyville and lived in a log cabin until 1868 where they had three more children: Anna Rosina, 27 May 1864 to 14 April 1922 married to Fred J. Beck on 10 February 1887; Elizabeth born in 1865 (died in infancy); and Frank F. 11 July 1867 to 21 September 1918, never married. They built a home from bricks that they made by hand on their farm in 1868. They had three more children: Christina Anna, 3 April 1869 to 27 June 1913, never married; Emma Elizabeth 1871 to 10 July 1938, married Louis Frederici; and Francis Mary, known as "Fannie" 9 May 1873 to 17 February 1958, never married. Their unmarried daughters, "Fannie" and Christina, owned and operated a millinery store in Pinckneyville.

Baltasar lived to be 64 and died on 19 March 1892 on their farm. Anna died on 12 February 1899 at the age of 62. *Submitted by Michael K. House, 2nd great grandson*

## BROWN-CRAIG

Elizabeth Margaret (Craig) (Beggs) Brown was the mother of seven children. She was born on 11 February 1872.



*Elizabeth Margaret (Craig) (Beggs) Brown and James Leander Brown Jr.*

Her 1st marriage was to Henry J. Beggs on 7 October 1886. They had three children: Jemimah Nicholson (born 19 February 1887-died about 1980), Susan Mattie (Smith) Stanhouse (born 29 May 1891-died 1 January





*The children of Elizabeth Margaret (Craig) (Beggs) Brown 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Maurice W. and Vivian E. (Brown) Lipe at their Du Quoin, Illinois farm home. L to R: Vivian Elizabeth Lipe, Thomas Edward, George Robert, Amos Leander, Elsie Mae Leemon, Susan Mattie (Jones) Stanhouse and Jemimah "Mima Jane" Nicholson. Mother is superimposed on the left in a picture taken about 1902 at approximately age 30.*

1963), and Elsie Mae Leemon (born 21 November 1894-died 8 July 1971).

The 2<sup>nd</sup> marriage was to James Leander Brown, Jr. on 4 March 1898. He was born 14 November 1862 in Percy, Randolph County, Illinois and died on 21 or 17 of April 1907 (one report said 2<sup>nd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> of May 1907) at Cutler, Illinois. James Leander died at age 45. They had three boys and a girl: Amos Leander (born 20 March 1899-died 4 April 1991), George Robert Brown (born 26 January 1901, in Mt. Vernon, Illinois-died 21 August 1980), Thomas "Tom" Edward (born 9 June 1903-died 17 August 1969) and Vivian Elizabeth Lipe (born August 6, 1907-she is still living as of 1998).

The parents of Elizabeth Margaret were John and Jamima (Jemimah?) Ann (maiden name?) (Bridgewater) (Thomas) Craig. According to Elizabeth Spurgeon, John was born in 1835 in Ireland. He came to the U.S. at the age of 15 (or 1850). A bad case of typhoid fever, and not being properly turned while in the sick bed, handicapped him with a permanently paralyzed side. He rose above this however, and became a respected, hard working farmer. Jamima's parents were reported to be English, via Pennsylvania. It is not certain what her maiden name was, but the names Bridgewater and Evans seem to turn up frequently in the scattered literature, and her mother seems to have been married to a Thomas. There was also some relations to the Sprague family of Cutler, Illinois.

Elizabeth Margaret raised a loving and supportive family based upon Presbyterian Christian values and by the grace of God. Times were not easy for this young widow. She worked hard and taught the children to do the same. (See the picture accompanying this article of her as a young lady (about age 30) superimposed on a picture of the children. They were photographed together in 1980 during the 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary celebration of Maurice W. and Vivian Elizabeth (Brown) Lipe.

A cousin, Thomas Jeremiah, "Uncle Jeremy" to the children, prevailed upon Elizabeth Margaret to operate a boarding house, in the "big house," on the southwest edge of Cutler, Illinois. This was so that the workers at the Willisville Hog and Dairy Farm would have a decent place to stay. Tom was a farm superintendent for the Willisville Coal Mine Company.

She also took in laundry and did baking for Cutler residents. She was an excellent cook and very resourceful. The whole family helped. The two older boys, Amos and George, worked on this

farm as teenagers. When they got old enough, they "got on" at Barnard Mine (that built a temporary town called Aladin), Wilson Mine, "Whipperwill" Mine and the Elm Mine located around Cutler, Illinois. When the children were grown and had families of their own, she moved back into the home that she and James Leander, Jr. had owned, on the west edge of Cutler, Illinois.

Elizabeth Margaret died in the Marshall Browning Hospital at Du Quoin, Illinois, of a failed gall bladder operation at age 66.

The Perry County Volumes I and II contain histories of the seven children.

## BROWN-McCLURE

The Reverend Michael Harshaw married James Leander Brown Sr., and Mary B. McClure in Cutler, Illinois, on 25 March 1858. James had been born in 1833 (Grand Cote precinct of Perry County, Illinois). She had been born circa 1841, also in Perry County, Illinois. Three children were born to this marriage: James Leander, Jr. (born 14 November 1862, in Randolph County, Illinois), John (Leander?) (born?), and Janet "Arbie" Hogue (born?). The family, possibly adopted raised a "Minnie" Hopkins.

The wife of James Leander Brown Sr. (Mary B.), was the daughter of Matthew McClure, who was born in 1812, in Chester County, South Carolina. He was married to "Jennet" Jeanette Richmond, of Chester County, South Carolina. Jennet's birth year was 1810. Need one say that she was Irish?

James Leander Brown Sr. served in the 31<sup>st</sup> Volunteer Illinois regiment in the Civil War. He was killed at the battle of Memphis, Tennessee, on 10 February 1863. (It was not known until the summer of 1997, exactly where he was buried. Dick Tabing, the husband of Anne (Brown) Tabing, a great granddaughter, accidentally found the ground level tombstone in the Hopewell Cemetery, west of Pinckneyville, Illinois, while doing some clean-up work.

After James Leander Sr. was killed, Mary married a 2<sup>nd</sup> time to Edward Jones on 3 June 1869. Ed died on 28 September 1872. One of her husbands sons Ed Jones, Jr. helped Mary regain her pension (belonging to James Leander Brown Sr.) Another of Ed's sons was Thomas "Tom" Jones.

Mary (McClure) (Brown) Jones died 28 January 1918 and is buried in the Cutler Cemetery, in Perry County, Illinois. As of 1998, the two grandsons of Ed Jones were buried near by with simple boards for their grave markers.

John Brown was James Leander Sr.'s father. John was born 9 September 1805/06 in South Carolina, if records are correct. James' mother was Martha (Cunningham) Brown. She was born during 1807 in Kentucky. She died on 16 April 1886 and is also buried in the Hopewell Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Martha and her husband were married on 12 March 1829 in Perry County, Illinois.

## BURKE-REEDER

Denise Lynn Reeder was born 12 October 1966 at Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois the second daughter of Cecil E. and Marilyn (Kujawa) Reeder. She has one sister, Loretta (Reeder) Auld and one brother Gregory (Greg) Jones. Her maternal grandparents were Sylvester and Thelma (Slusher) Kujawa of Rural Pinckneyville and John Harrison and Maude Evelyn (Russell) paternal grandparents.



*Mark and Denise Burke, Kathleen, Susan and Laura.*

Denise was a student of Pinckneyville Grade School and graduated in 1980. She then attended Pinckneyville Community High School and graduated valedictorian of her class in 1984. She then attended Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois and received her Bachelor of Nursing Degree in 1988 and graduated Magna Cum Laude. Upon graduation she took her first job at Rush-Presbyterian St. Lukes Medical Center, Chicago, and worked in the neonatal intensive care department and while there met her husband-to-be, Mark Richard Burke.

Denise and Mark were married on 23 November 1991 at Oak Grove Baptist Church, Pinckneyville, Illinois. Mark is the son of William and Frances (Casillas) Burke both from Cook County, Chicago, Illinois.

Mark graduated Gage Park High School in 1973 and graduated from the University of Illinois at Chicago with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Biology. Mark enjoyed playing hockey and is an avid sports fan. He was a respiratory therapist at Rush-Presbyterian St. Lukes Medical Center, Chicago for a number of years and now works at Edward Hospital in Naperville, Illinois as a respiratory therapist and is head of his department.

Denise works part-time at Edward Hospital, Naperville, Illinois in the labor and delivery room and also teaches a lamaze class once a week at the hospital.

Denise and Mark have three daughters. Kathleen Anne born 28 August 1993, in Cook County, Chicago, Illinois; Susan Elaine, born 29 June 1995 in Cook County, Oak Park, Illinois; and Laura Christine born 15 February 1997 in DuPage County, Naperville, Illinois.



## TOM BYNUM

Tom Bynum and wife, Betty, with three small children, Tauna, Jeanne and Patricia, moved to Pinckneyville in December of 1949. Tom took over the management of The Gift Chest Jewelers, located on Walnut Street between the Capitol Theater and Mr. Harry Lewis' clothing store. The theater was operated by Mr. Tony Beninati and the price for children to get in was 15 cents. Tom purchased The Gift Chest in 1955 and named it Tom Bynum Jewelers.



Tom was a watchmaker and learned his trade in St. Louis from a private instructor. He worked for Small Arms ammunition plant in 1942 and was inducted into the service in 1944. Our president, Harry Truman, ordered the atom bombs to be dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki and that ended the war. Then, Tom went to work for Krisman-Frey Jewelers in St. Louis for two years. He then moved his family to Charleston, Illinois where he worked as a watchmaker for Hanft Jewelers for a few years before coming to Pinckneyville.



*Gift Chest Jewelers on South Walnut in Pinckneyville owned by Tom Bynum.*

In 1954 a son, Tom Jr. was born delivered by Dr. Gilbert Edwards at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois. Two years later a little girl, Janet, was born in the new Pinckneyville Hospital. In 1957, two weeks before Christmas, a tornado hit the surrounding area and devastated many families.

When first coming to Pinckneyville the family lived on Douglas Street about a block from Bender's Grocery Store. Later, they moved to Mal Keene's on East Street next door to Lillie Reidelberger and mother. They later purchased a home on West Water Street. They closed the jewelry store in 1961 and moved to California leaving behind two older daughters who were married at the time. Jeanne still lives in Pinckneyville and is married to Jim Boyd. She went to beauty school in Carbondale, Illinois. Then opened her own shop in Pinckneyville. On Walnut Street called "Jeanne's." She later moved her shop into her

home. Tauna married Tom Garret and lives in Evansville, Indiana. In 1952, Tauna was elected Queen of the Mardi Gras, the first sixth grader to ever be elected. During her high school years she was chosen as a contestant for Queen of Perry County Fair by the Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by Delta Theta Tau Sorority.

Tom Bynum was born in Morley, Missouri in 1916 and died in Norco, California in 1967. That was the same year the Theater building and Jewelry store were demolished for newer businesses.

## CAMPBELL-GIACOMO

Emerson "Pat" Campbell was born 4 September 1950 at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois to Orange Judge and Jessie (Hutchings) Campbell.

Joyce Ann (Giacomo) Campbell was born 17 January 1952 to Nelson Lawrence and Harriet (Golliher) Giacomo. She too was born at Marshall Browning Hospital



*Kent and Kelly Epplin, Pat and Joyce Campbell and Vanessa and Eric Campbell.*

Pat attended Wylie Grade School for three years. Joyce attended Nation School for one year. Both were one room schools and were located north of Pinckneyville. They then attended the newly constructed Community Consolidated District #212 School in Rice, Illinois. They attended high school at Pinckneyville and later attended classes at Rend Lake College in Ina.

Pat and Joyce were married in Benton, Illinois. They have one son, Eric Scott Campbell, born 14 September 1969 in Pinckneyville Community Hospital. On 18 November 1972, they had a daughter, Kelly Jo. She too was born in Pinckneyville Community Hospital.

They made their home at Route 2, Pinckneyville since their marriage and since 1970, they have resided in a home on the original plot of land settled by Joyce's greatgrandfather, Giovanni "John" Giacomo, who immigrated to Illinois from Italy.

Pat started his coal mining career in April 1972 at the Spartan Mine in Coulterville, Illinois. Pat injured his leg in a mining accident in November, 1978. Two months later the mine closed. In April of 1979, he went to work for Inland Steel Coal in Sesser, Illinois. He worked there until August 1987, when he was laid off after Consolidation Coal Company purchased the mine. In 1989, he was employed as a State Mine Inspector for the Department of Mines and Minerals.

Joyce was a homemaker from 1969 to 1976. She then went to work at the Pinckneyville Community Hospital Business Office. She worked there until 1993 when she took a position with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois as a Provider Affairs State Area Representative.

Pat and Joyce attend Oak Grove Baptist Church. They enjoy golfing, gardening and working around their home.

Eric graduated from Rend Lake College in 1989 with an Associates Degree in Business Administration. While working as a respiratory therapist, he attended the University of Missouri and graduated with a Bachelors Degree in Health Science. He currently is a Registered Respiratory Therapist at St. Mary's Hospital in Evansville, Indiana. In September 1994, Eric married Vanessa Ruth Pyron. Vanessa attended schools in Pinckneyville and Du Quoin. She holds a degree in Early Child Care Development from John A. Logan College. They have one son, Noah Scott Nelson Campbell, born 22 April 1997 in Du Quoin, Illinois and a daughter, Maysa Ruth Campbell born 17 May 1998. They currently reside in Princeton, Indiana.

Kelly Jo graduated from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale in 1992 as a Court Reporter. She is a Certified Shorthand Reporter as well as a Registered Professional Reporter. In October, 1996, Kelly married Kent Allen Epplin. Kent also attended Pinckneyville schools and graduated from Southern Illinois University as a Funeral Director/Embalmer. Kent works for Pyatt's Funeral Home in Pinckneyville.

## CAMPBELL-HOLMES

William Campbell was born 4 March 1863 in Perry County, Illinois. His parents were William and Sarah Jane (Saunders) Campbell. William married Ollie Frances Holmes on 19 April 1891 in Pinckneyville. Ollie Frances Holmes was the daughter of John and Lucinda (Kelley) Holmes (see Holmes-Kelley biography). Ollie was born 10 February 1872 in Warrensburg, Missouri.



*Gertrude, Ethel, William, Ollie and Charles Campbell.*

William was a farmer for forty years. He had a team of horses get away from him and injure his back. At the dinner table his chair was the one with the slat out in the back because of his bad back. In 1920 he listed his occupation as "Platform Maker" in "Freighting Homes." His death certificate lists his occupation as trucking freight for the Illinois Central Railroad.

William and Ollie had five children: Gertrude Viola (1892-1936), Ina Mae (1894-1895), Ethel Bernice (1894-1984), Irma Lucille (1906-1906), and Charles Holmes (1910-1994). Ollie moved with her family from Warrensburg, Missouri to Perry County, Illinois as a young child. She walked the entire distance behind their covered wagon. William died 30 March 1920 in Du Quoin. Ollie died 8 June 1949 in Christopher. Both are buried at Holts Prairie. Submitted by Steve Jackson



## CAMPBELL-SAUNDERS

William Campbell was born in 1825 in Kentucky. His brother Robert, lived in Pinckneyville. His sister Georgia Ann married William Williams and also lived in Pinckneyville. William married Sarah Jane Saunders. Sarah was born in Kentucky in 1832. She lived with her brother Amos and his family in 1850 in Perry County. William and Sarah had nine children: John M. (1852-?) married Delia Gregory; Lewis H. (1854-1926) married Escalania Dry; Riley (1857-?) was married and had four children; Elizabeth (1861-?) married John Williams; William (1863-1920) married Ollie Frances Holmes (see Campbell-Holmes biography); Alice (1865-1945) married L.M. (Matt) Wilks; Lucinda (1869-1938) married Theodore Holden; Alva Blanchard (1874-1940) married Retta Long and Elzora married James Miller.

The family lived on a farm north of Pinckneyville in a community then known as "Upper Holts." It was not uncommon at that time to have a family burial plot near the home. That is how the Campbell Cemetery was started. It has grown until now it is a community cemetery. The monuments marking the graves of all the family buried there have been destroyed.

William and Sarah died two years to the day apart. We believe William died 27 August 1896 and Sarah 27 August 1898.

## CAMPBELL-STOUT

James Madison Campbell (26 March 1846-09 September 1907) and Mary Ellen Stout (03 February 1849-03 January 1886) were married on 14 November 1867 in Randolph County, Illinois. Until Mary Ellen's death, they lived in Denmark, Illinois.



Mary Ellen Stout Campbell circa 1865.

James Madison was the son of James Alexander Campbell (26 November 1815-25 September 1856) and Jane Ferguson (about 1919-10 April 1846), natives of Chester District, South Carolina, who died in Perry County, Illinois.

Two of James Alexander Campbell's brothers died during the Civil War while serving in Company A, 31<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry. First Lieutenant John Campbell died 18 April 1862 of wounds suffered at Fort Donelson, Tennessee. Sergeant Andrew Campbell died of smallpox in May 1862.

Andrew married Cindrilla E. Greene on 19 December 1850 in Perry County. After Andrew's death, Cindrilla married Robert B. Bigham on 13 August 1863. On 30 June 1866, Robert became the legal guardian of Andrew and Cindrilla's surviving children, Angeline (07 October 1851-19 January 1897), Francis L. (18 September 1853-27 January 1897), and Julia M. (30 December 1855-12 April 1945). Andrew and Cindrilla's two

other children were Andreson (April 1861-16 July 1861) and Emily (10 August 1855-22 August 1962).

Andrew's brother John married Elizabeth D. McFadden (1820-1862). Their children were James Edward (1847-1926), Nancy E. (1849-1925), Louis K. (1852-1872), John C. (1854-?), and William C. (1858-1915).

James Madison Campbell's wife, Mary Ellen Stout, was the daughter of James and Sarah Egbert Stout of Perry County (see Stout-Egbert and Stout-Haynes histories).

Mary Ellen and James Madison had ten children: Julia Adeline (25 February 1870-24 June 1954); Hugh (about 1872-1935); twins Mary E. (1875-?) and Marion (1875-1879); Anna (about 1877-?); Olive (about 1880-07 October 1905), Ida May (09 February 1883-03 February 1969), Pearl (April 1885-1902), and twins Brad and Bert. Mary Ellen, James Madison, Marion, and Pearl were buried in Hopewell Cemetery, near Pinckneyville.

After Mary Ellen's death, Ida May lived with Elizabeth Catherine Carr and her sister-in-law Hannah Mitchell in Denmark, Illinois, and Pearl lived with Isaac and Rachel Bigham.

James Madison Campbell died at Isaac Egbert's home in Bigham District, Perry County. James was buried in Hopewell Cemetery.

Julia Adeline Campbell married William Simms Fannin. Their children: Eithel Adair (1887-?), Myrtle Ellen (1890-1906), Thomas Jackson (1891-1931), Estella Ansthis (1896-?), Agnes Adeline, and Alton Cornelius (1899-1901). Eithel first married Charles Hecky Carter; their children were Verna Marie and Hazel Ellen. Eithel had a daughter, Olive Jean, by second husband Edwin Reis. Estella Ansthis married Otis Willeford; their children were Otis E., Cleo A., and Vernon W.

James and Mary Ellen Campbell's daughter, Mary E., married Harry Sherman in 1897; their son, Ira, was born in 1898. Olive Campbell married Ernest E. Peterson, also in 1897. Ida May Campbell married Arthur Lester Smith (26 April 1883-17 September 1963), son of James Armour Smith (11 November 1851-23 March 1884) and Martha Jane Bigham (11 December 1857-15 February 1905) (see Smith-Campbell history).

Two of James and Mary Ellen Campbell's great-granddaughters are Susan Carter-Patton of Rancho Mirage, California and Ruthann Plymale of Rockford, Illinois. Submitted by Susan Burneson of Austin, Texas

## CARANI-TIMPNER

James Roy Carani, born 29 September 1967 in Elmhurst, Illinois is the 3<sup>rd</sup> child born to James M. and Mary Carani.

Sharon Lynn born 15 September 1970 to Gary Lee and Irma Joan (Wildermuth) Timpner in Pinckneyville, Illinois, youngest of three children. Paternal Grandparents are Edward C. and the late Margaret C. (Schickedanz) Timpner. Maternal grandparents were the late Edward Jacob and the late Eva Marie (Heisner) Wildermuth.

James and Sharon were united in marriage 20 May 1995 at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

James was baptized and attended Visitation Catholic church in Elmhurst, Illinois. He graduated from York High School in Elmhurst, Illinois and Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, Illinois with a Bachelor of Arts degree in Sociology

and Economics. He was employed with PNC Mortgage Company for five years. Now, James, is employed by the City of DeKalb, Illinois Fire Department as an Emergency Medical Technician and firefighter.

Sharon was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul United Church of Christ. She attended Pinckneyville Public Schools and graduated from Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, Illinois with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Psychology and from the University of Illinois Champaign/Urbana with a Masters of Social Work degree. Now she is employed at Rockford Health System/Rockford Memorial Hospital. She is a Licensed Clinical Social Worker in the Kidney Dialysis Department.

James and Sharon reside in DeKalb, Illinois.

## CARMACK-ISAAC

Isaac Carmack was born July 1787 in Virginia. He was the son of Cornelius and Lettice Carmack. Isaac's father was a Revolutionary War soldier and they had moved to Overton County Tennessee by 1803. Isaac married Sarah Baynes/Banes 11 March 1819 in Davidson County Tennessee. Isaac had been married previously and had a daughter, Elizabeth, born 1818 in Tennessee. Isaac and Sarah had four children all born in Tennessee: Isiah born 1820, Patsy born 1822, Samuel born 12 December 1823 and Letitia born 1826.

Isaac and family moved to Perry County Illinois by 1837 as they are listed as part of a society that founded Methodism in Perry County. Isaac and his family settled in the Pinckneyville area and were framers. Isaac died in Perry County after 1850. His wife, Sarah, died there after 1860.

Elizabeth Carmack married Hardy Holman 6 November 1840 in Pinckneyville. Isiah Carmack married Mrs. Ann M. Stockbridge.

Patsy Carmack married Aaron A. Holeman 27 November 1838 in Pinckneyville. They had eight children all born in Perry County. Beverly W. born 1842, Aaron T. born 1844, Daniel E. born 1848, Hansel A. born 1850, Patsy S. born 1854, Margaret J. born 1856, Anne E. born 1858 and Matthew J. born 1862.

Samuel married Nancy Keene 15 June 1846 in Pinckneyville and their first three children were born in Perry County. Thomas was born 12 June 1847. (He served with the 6<sup>th</sup> Kansas Cavalry during the Civil War and died 30 May 1868 in Linn County Kansas), William H. born 6 April 1848, George Washington born 9 July 1850. (George eventually settled in Young County Texas where he married and raised his family. He died there 29 November 1925). Samuel and his family moved to Linn County Kansas in 1855 and while traveling there their fourth son, Isaac Alfred, was born on the 26 of August 1855. (By 1881, Isaac was living in Stephens County Texas where he married and raised his family. He died 5 May 1923 in Washington County Arkansas). Samuel and Nancy had two more children in Linn County Kansas. John Cornelius was born 15 October 1857. (He also settled in Young County Texas, marrying and raising his family there. He died in Young County 10 October 1911) and Melviny Jane born 26 January 1862 and died 28 October 1871. Nancy died in Linn County January 1870. Samuel remarried 5 June 1871 to Jane Keene Prock Hageman. Samuel died 6 June 1875 in Linn County Kansas.

Letitia Carmack married Amos Smith 4 September 1844 in Pinckneyville. Their children were



all born in Perry County. Isaac born 1846 married Emily C. Davis 23 January 1866. Sarah Ann was born August 1849. Nancy B. was born 1852 married John S. Davis 31 October 1872. Jackson was born 1855 and married Margaret Holeman (daughter of Aaron A. and Patsy (Carmack) Holeman). Patsy was born 1859. Catherine was born 1869 and married William A. McKelvey 22 August 1895. She married a second time to Samuel J. Wilson 30 September 1889. Catherine died 7 September 1906 and is buried in the Lacey Cemetery. *Submitted by Millie Carmack Burgett*

## CARROTHERS

Kevin M. Carrothers, teacher, minister, and lawyer, is the only child of Jaqueline Bound Carrothers and Melvin H. Carrothers of Cutler, Illinois. He was born in Pinckneyville Community Hospital on 15 April 1969, and grew up in Cutler. He attended school in Trico Unit District #176 until his graduation in 1987. During high school, he was active in extra curricular organizations and received many honors and awards, including having an article published in Illinois History Magazine about Virginia Marmaduke well-known, Pinckneyville resident. In 1991, he graduated *summa cum laude* from Missouri Baptist College in St. Louis, Missouri. In 1994, he received his Juris Doctor from Southern Illinois University School of Law at Carbondale, Illinois.



Kevin M. Carrothers.

Kevin is a licensed, ordained minister and has been very active in the Nine Mile Baptist Association. Currently, he serves as moderator of the Association and is interim pastor of the First Baptist Church of Cutler. He has also supplied in churches of the Association. Kevin has taught English and social studies classes at Trico Sr. High School on a part time basis since 1994 and has his own law practice with an office in Cutler. He has served on the Board of Directors, for 5-Star Industries and is currently President of the Board. In addition to his careers in education, the ministry and law, Kevin is a talented musician and has served as accompanist for high school and community musicals and weddings.

Kevin's ties to Perry county are strong. Both his father and his paternal grandmother, Edith Hardy Carrothers are life-long residents of Cutler. His father, Melvin, is a retired coal mine electrician, serves on the Perry County Economic Council and as the Village Clerk of Cutler. His mother, Jackie, taught school at Trico until her retirement in 1994. She now works in the Cutler Public Library and serves on the Trico Unit District #176 School Board. During his law school days, Kevin clerked for Hohlt, House, DeMoss and Johnson, Gayl Pyatt, and David Stanton, all of

Pinckneyville. He also served as a law clerk and legal extern for the Perry County State's Attorney's Office.

## CARSON-LOUCKS

William K. Carson and Lillian L. Loucks were married on 17 April 1937 in Mt Vernon, Illinois. Bill known as "Red" to friends in those days was born to William Aud Carson and Florence Mae Johnson Carson on 27 July 1917 in Pinckneyville. He was their first son and fourth child. Their family grew up on a farm south of Pinckneyville in an area known as "Four Mile Prairie." When Bill was in the sixth grade, the family moved to a farm east of Pinckneyville. Bill enrolled in Upper Holts School along with the other children. He had four sisters and three brothers: Edith, Helen, Jewel, Florence, Bert, Harold and Maurice.



William and Lillian Carson.

Bill entered high school in 1932, the same year that "Duster" Thomas begun coaching football there. Bill played football for "Duster" as well as basketball and track and he continued to play sports all his life. After high school, he went to work at United Electric - Freeman Coal Company, playing baseball as a catcher for the company team. He and Lawrence Morton coached Legion baseball. Lillian and their two girls went along to all the games, giving Lillian a chance to piece several quilts while watching the boys play ball. Today, at age 80, Bill still plays golf several times a week and is in two bowling leagues in Decatur, Illinois.



William and Lillian Carson.

Upon getting laid off at the mines in 1954, Bill moved the family to St. Louis where they lived for a little over a year until he went to work for Caterpillar Tractor Company in Decatur, Illinois. He was a pipefitter and vice-president of the union and later became a supervisor until his retirement.

Lillian had two sisters, Fern and Imogen. The youngest, Lillian was born 3 May 1913 to Luther Loucks and Florence Gregory Loucks. Lillian's mother taught at Beaucoup School west of

Pinckneyville. Lillian went to that one-room school with her mother as teacher.

Lil loved her home although there were times she worked as a seamstress.. She loved to read and sew, teaching her daughters to sew and cook and encouraging them to read.

Bill and Lillian enjoyed many years of travel and watching their grandchildren play sports. Both were hospital volunteers. Lillian died in 1990.

Patricia Gail and Dorothy Mae are their two daughters. Pat lives in Edwardsville, Illinois and married Bill Blythe in 1962. Bill is a retired teacher, and they own an oil production company. Their two children, Timothy and Mark both reside in Edwardsville. Dorothy Mae lives in Decatur. She married James Hamilton in 1963 and had three children: Bill and his wife Jane of Wisconsin; Patricia of Columbus, Ohio; and Carri and her husband Bill Quinn also of Columbus. They have one daughter, Madysen Kaye-Ann. Dorothy is a nursing home co-ordinator in Decatur.

Bill married after Lillian's death. He and his wife, Esther, live in Decatur, where they are members of Grace United Methodist Church. They enjoy their friends, dancing, travel and their grandchildren and great-granddaughter.

## CAVINS-HARRISS

Hiram Cavins was born 23 February 1843 in Indiana. Sarah "Sally" Ann Harriss was born 21 June 1845 In Perry County, Illinois. Sarah may have been born on 23 February 1845 per grave marker, and died 15 October 1896. Sarah is buried in the Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Hiram Cavins married Sarah Ann Harriss 6 September 1864 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Hosea Harriss and Bethsheba Haggard.

Hiram Cavins was a farmer and lived in T5-R1 of Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois. Hiram Cavins bought property around Paragould, Arkansas and this is why Elmer Fount Fred's Uncle Benjamin Cavins lived in Arkansas. Elmer Fred was Steve Fred's and Julia Ann Cavin's son.

Children of Hiram Cavins and Sarah Harriss are: 1) Robert H. Cavins, born 7 January 1866 in Illinois; died 26 March 1930 in Old Du Quoin, Illinois and buried at Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Robert H. Cavins never married; 2) Elizabeth Marie Cavins, born 1868 in Perry County, Illinois. She married Thomas B. Hamilton, 3 November 1886; 3) Julia Ann Cavins, born August 1871 in Illinois; died 18 March 1920 in Anna, Illinois and Julia is buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery Perry County, Illinois. Julia married Steve "Stephen" Fred 1899; 4) Benjamin F. Cavins, born 1873 in Illinois; died after 1930. Benjamin F. Cavins lived in Paragould, Arkansas in 1941. Benjamin's wife's name was Josie, their children were: Roxie (married Charlie McCarthy), Ransom, and Betty; 5) John H. Cavins, born 1875 in Illinois; 6) Charles D. Cavins, born 6 September 1876 in Illinois; died after 1930. Charles married Jane Harriss (Edmund L. Harriss' daughter), 18 February 1905; and 7) Unknown Cavins, born 6 September 1878; died before 1880.

## COFFEL-GIPSON

The Coffel Family patriarch was James Coffel, Sr. of the Revolutionary War. He served from Pennsylvania, later moved to Virginia where his children were born. They migrated to Ohio by



1820, first in Greene County then in Logan County. Except for his son, James Jr. who remained in Ohio, sons Peter, Jesse and David moved to Washington County, Illinois about 1838. (see Washington County History, published 1979, page 160)

David and Nancy (Jordan) Coffel had seven known children. One son, John Coffel, married Mary Jane Jones and had six children. This biography's subject is one son, Jesse.

Jesse Coffel was born in Washington County 12 February 1852. On 31 October 1872 in Jefferson County, Illinois he married Catherine Gipson, Daughter of George and Jemimah (Hackett) Gipson. Catherine was born 21 January 1854 near Mt. Vernon, Illinois. From this union were born five daughters and three sons. The family moved to Perry County about 1893. Children were: Anna Jane born 1 August 1874, married Thomas Foster on 14 May 1902, one adopted son, George Thomas. Anna died 19 May 1962 in Du Quoin. George Washington, born 4 March 1876, married Sarah Jane Branum on 24 November 1898, ten children: Fleta May, Calvin Miles, George Thomas, Lucille Edna, Ace Everett, Edward Ellsworth, Nolan Garner, Katherine Arline, Margaret May and Theodore Raymond. George died 2 January 1961; Sarah died 28 August 1931, both in Du Quoin.

Cora J., born 1877, married John Kell, two children: Elsie and an infant who died young.

Charles was born 24 March 1879, married Elizabeth Roberts Summers on 24 October 1900, three children: Ethel M., Hazel Marie, Russel. Charles died 20 December 1942 in Du quoin.

James Riley, born 24 April 1881, first married Myrtle Summers in 1902. Three children: Jess Tolbert, Bernice, Loretta. Married second Lulubelle Lemons, two children: Velma and Carl. James Riley died 21 October 1916 in Old Du Quoin.

Nancy Katherine, born 31 January 1888, married James B. Stanhouse on 12 September 1907, four children: John Thomas, William K., Edith, and James W. Nancy died 5 April 1959 in Du Quoin.

Ocie Ola was born 31 December 1890 and married William Woodside 5 September 1910, six children: Sarah Katherine, William Loren, Thomas Lyle, Gilbert Dale, Morris Dwight and Paul Gene. Ocie died 19 May 1976 in Du Quoin.

Jessie Meryl was born in Du Quoin 11 March 1893 and married Sherman Longshore 7 April 1909, nine children: George, Sherman Howard, Mildred, Dorothy, Hiram, Wilma, Raymond Lyle, Lanetta and Bobbie. Jessie died 5 October 1939.

Jesse Coffel, father of the above eight children, earned his livelihood as a farmer and a coal miner. He died of cancer 31 January 1914. Catherine, his wife, died of a debilitating stroke and advanced age on 22 February 1931. They and their children are buried at the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Roberta D. Torrence*

## COLE-MILLBURN

William C. Cole was born 4 June 1819 in Rockingham County, North Carolina, moved to Tennessee before 1840, and on to Calloway County, Kentucky 1845 to 1854.

He enlisted in the Civil War at Du Quoin, Illinois 5 July 1862 and was discharged 29 October 1862. He served as a Private in Co. K, 71<sup>st</sup> Regiment of Illinois Volunteers under General Grant. He died 3 June 1891 in Bloomfield, Stoddard County, Missouri.

W. C. Cole came to Franklin County, Illinois in 1855 with his wife and then five children. He purchased land in Appelton (Tamaroa), Perry County in 1855 and Franklin County in 1856. He moved to Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois in 1857. He married Mary A. Milburn about 1840-1841 (Probably in Tennessee). Mary was born about 1824. She was age 26 in the 1850 census of Calloway County, Kentucky. Born in Tennessee (County Unknown). They had seven children: (1) Robert James Cole born 1841 in Tennessee. (2) Elizabeth A. Cole born 1844 in Tennessee. (3) Eliza J. Cole born 1846 in Kentucky. (4) Nancy P. Cole born 1849 in Kentucky. (5) William Franklin Cole born 1853 in Kentucky (age 7 in the 1860 census of Perry County, Illinois) (6) Charles Cole born 1855 in Illinois (age 5 in the 1860 census of Perry County, Illinois) (7) Mary A. Cole born 1858 in Illinois (age 2 in the 1860 census of Perry County, Illinois) Mary A. (Milburn) Cole died 7 September 1859 and is buried in the Old Du Quoin Cemetery on highway 14. The 1860 census of Du Quoin (Perry County), Illinois showed William C. Cole (widower) and his seven children listed above.



*L to R: Elbert Cole, Margaret E. (Huggins) Cole, Stella Cole, (in front of Margaret), Roy Cole (baby on mother's lap), Ella Cole, Pleasant Grant Cole, Ernest Ray Cole, Sr., (sitting on Pleasant's lap), Odus Cole.*

He and his son Robert's occupation were listed as PRINTER. This suggests they may have worked on or owned the "Du Quoin Tribune" Newspaper. He married Sarah J. (Bolton) Bryant 7 January 1863, a widow with three small children. Her first husband, William C. Bryant, died 24 January 1862. William and Sarah's first born 15 February 1864 in Perry County, Illinois.

Pleasant Grant Cole (my grandfather).

W.C. Cole was in the 1865 Jackson County Illinois census with a family of 13. (He and his 7; Sarah and her 3; and their child Pleasant G. Cole. W.C. paid taxes in Jackson County in 1866. The Elk Prairie portion of the 1870 Jackson County, Illinois census was mostly illegible and the above could not be found. He and Sarah had Lenora 1866 and Jephtha 1868 in Jackson County, Illinois. W.C. Cole bought 80 acres in Stoddard County, Missouri in 1872 and moved his family there. They appeared in the 1880 census of Stoddard County, Missouri.

On 18 September 1886 Pleasant Grant Cole (my grandfather) married Margaret E. Huggins in Stoddard County, Missouri. They had seven children: Ella 1888 Missouri; Odus 1889 Missouri; Elbert 1891 Missouri; Stella 1892 Missouri; Ernest R. Cole Sr. 9 February 1895 Missouri; Roy 1899 Missouri; Wilmer 1803. Pleasant G. Cole died 9 September 1930 and Margaret (Huggins) Cole died 10 December 1903. Both are buried in the Bloomfield Cemetery in Stoddard County, Missouri.

Ernest R. Cole, Sr. married Lucille G. Besand 11 July 1931. Lucille is still living 30 January 1998 and is residing in Carter County, Missouri. They had five children: Ernest R. Cole, Jr. 29 June 1932, Missouri; Leon R. Cole 12 November 1933, Missouri; Donald L. Cole 18 January 1936, Missouri; Shirley A. Cole 2 February 1944, Missouri; Sharon L. Cole 12 March 1945, Missouri; Leon R. Cole married Joyce L. Ward 22 July 1953 in East St. Louis, Illinois. They had four children: Debra (Cole) King 24 April 1956, Missouri; Sandra (Cole) Swartz 28 April 1958, Missouri; Leon R. Cole, Jr. 10 October 1960, Missouri (killed in auto accident 11 August 1978); Pamela Leilani Cole 11 February 1965, deceased. *Submitted by Leon R. Cole*

## COLEMAN-BARTON

Terry Alan Coleman is the fifth offspring of Billie E. Coleman and Mary (Dean) Coleman of Du Quoin. Terry was born on 29 May 1963 at Offutt Air Force Base, Nebraska. During his childhood, his family lived in many places, one of them being Madrid, Spain. His mother tells tales of a little two year old Terry taking to the streets of Spain alone as if he could travel the world and back without assistance from anyone. Somehow, he always found his way back home. When he was five years old, Terry's family moved back to the sates and eventually back to Du Quoin, his mother's birthplace. Terry's father was born in Kentucky.



*L to R: Clockwise: Tautchia, Terry, Taylor and Madison Coleman.*

After graduating from Du Quoin High School in 1982, Terry followed in his father's footsteps and joined the U.S. Air Force. He remained for two years before opting to join the Reserves. Terry then took a job at MCA Records in Pinckneyville. It was here that he met his future wife, Tautchia Barton.

Tautchia was born to Terry and Sandra (Herrmany) Barton on 9 August 1971 in Pinckneyville. Although they left Illinois on two different occasions because of her father's job, they settled back in Pinckneyville by the time she was three years old. Tautchia was a 1988 graduate of Faith Christian School, and continued her studies at Rend Lake College in Ina, Illinois.

Terry and Tautchia married on 10 February 1990 and made their home in Pinckneyville. God blessed the couple with two precious daughters. The oldest, Taylor Shayne, arrived on 23 August 1993, followed by her sister, Madison Jayne, on 26 January 1996. Both were delivered at Carbondale Memorial Hospital.

On a pleasantly warm day, you can find the Coleman family outside their Victorian home with the children at play usually in the sandbox or on the swingset. Taylor and her dad occasionally



enjoy a game of frisbee while Madi, as she is affectionately called, would rather build sand castles, play in the rocks or capture a bug which will be her pet for the day. You may see Tautchia on the porch swing enjoying a good book or tending to the flowers in the gardens.

Terry is employed at Universal Music and Video Distribution in Pinckneyville as a supervisor, while Tautchia manages a local printing business, Cavco Printers. Tautchia is also the proprietor of her own home-based business, Coleman Creations, which specialized in desktop publishing and design.

## COMMEAN-AFIA

Levi Ernest Commean III, born 5 September 1909 in Energy, Illinois; and died 19 March 1957 in Marion, Williamson County, Illinois. Levi (III) is buried in East Lawn Memorial Gardens in Herrin, Illinois. Levi (III) is the son of Levi Ernest Commean (II) and Sarah Emily Yates. Levi (III) married Fortune "Patricia" "Pat" Afia, 16 July 1945 in Hendon, Middlesex England, daughter of Moise "Maurice" Afia and Doretta Nischli. Fortune "Patricia" Afia was born on 7 March 1920 in South Hammersmith, London, England.



Levi Ernest Commean, III and Fortune "Patricia" Commean.

Children of Levi Commean and Patricia Afia are: (1) Emily Dora "Wee One" Commean, born 27 April 1946 in Henley-On-Thames, Oxfordshire, England. Emily went to Northeast High School in St. Petersburg, Florida. Emily graduated on 9 June 1964. Emily married [1] Howard Keith Finegan, 17 July 1964, and [2] James "Jim" Vincent Walenga, 28 March 1992, in Rolling Meadows, Illinois. James was born 7 February 1940 in Harvey, Illinois.



Jim Walenga & Emily Finegan

Emily has always been very interested in the Commean family genealogy and knows a great deal about the family history. She has visited many of the different Commean family members over the years and collected a large amount of family

history information. James Walenga is an Electrical Engineer. James received his bachelors degree from University of Illinois. Emily and Jim live in Palatine, Illinois just outside of Chicago, Illinois; (2) Victor "Vic" Albert Lee Commean, born 13 June 1947 in Herrin, Illinois. Victor married Elizabeth "Betty" Clayton Schellenger, 25 October 1969, in Merchantville, New Jersey, daughter of Edward Schellenger and Margaret Clayton. Victor is a dentist and lives in Freeport, Illinois. Victor received his dental degree from Loyola University Dental School in 1977. Children of Victor Commean and Elizabeth Schellenger are: (1) Victor Edward "Bud" Commean, born 18 February 1974, in Arlington Heights, Illinois; and (2) Kelly Lynn Commean, born 18 July 1978, in Freeport, Illinois.

Levi (III) was stationed in England during World War II and met Patricia there. Patricia and Emily came to America when Emily was 6 weeks old in June 1946. Emily's father returned home to America earlier on a US troop ship. He was Baptist and was a cemetery caretaker at the East Lawn Memorial Cemetery. Levi (III) told Patricia that his great grandfather came from Alsace-Lorraine, Germany/France area. Levi (III) died from emphysema and hardening of the arteries. He worked on the farm and in a gun powder company in Energy, Illinois after World War II. Patricia's original name was Fortune, but she changed it to Patricia when she became a US citizen on 12 July 1949. Patricia is Jewish/Baptist. *Submitted by Emily (Commean) Finegan*

## COMMEAN-BRADLEY

Walter Levi "Man" Commean was born 14 October 1896 in Paragould, Arkansas and died 2 March 1981. He is buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Walter "Man" was the son of Elmer Levi and Christina (Stanhouse) Commean. He married Mary Ann "Marie" Bradley on 3 May 1920 at Sacred Heart Church in Du Quoin. She was the daughter of Dennis Bradley and Caroline Peters. She was born 14 February 1897 and was baptized 7 March 1897 at Sacred Heart Church. The sponsors were Anton Hensler and wife, Mary. She died 11 August 1983 and is buried beside her husband. Walter and Mary were members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Walter and Mary had one child, Eugene "Gene" Bradley Commean, born 12 March 1922 in Du Quoin. Walter attended elementary school at J.B. Ward in Du Quoin, Illinois. He quit school at the age of 14 to help his father in the coal mines as they needed the money to feed the family. When Walter was 17 he went to a ballgame in St. Louis and coming back had the misfortune to have the front part of his left foot cut off by a train at the Du Quoin Main Street crossing. He was taken to the hospital and on 17 September 1913 his foot was amputated. Later in life his leg was amputated 6" below the knee to improve his walking capability.

Walter and a friend, Isaac, owned a store together called, "Isaac and Commean's Grocery" and he eventually sold his half to Isaac. Walter then went to work for his Aunt Josie "Stanhouse" at the Du Quoin Electric Laundry driving their delivery truck. Walter loved to hunt and fish. He would go to their cabin at the Big Ponds for this. He also was a good swimmer. Paul Dean Commean and his sister, Naomi (Commean) Pol-

ing, remember him hopping down the pathway from the dressing room to go swimming at Cherry Lake.

Walter and Marie first lived at 402 Summer Street in Du Quoin where their son, Gene, was born. Walter later had a new house built at 521 North Vine in Du Quoin and they lived there most of their remaining lives. Walter also loved to garden. It not only provided fresh food for the family, but was a hobby for him. His son, Gene, remembers selling strawberries from his father's garden, 3 quarts for 25 cents and selling milk by the quart.

Both Walter and Mary worked with bees, not protected, but worked bare handed, removing the honey. Mary Ann loved to bake, cook and sew. Walter worked in the mines at White Ash, Shakerag, Truss Traer and Kathleen at Dowell, Illinois. He was a retired coal miner. They are remembered lovingly by their family. *Submitted by Eugene Bradley Commean*

## COMMEAN-BROCK

Loren Lyle Commean was born 31 May 1898 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and died 12 January 1970. Loren is buried in Marion, Illinois. He married (1) Alta "Aldi" "Bevas" Ethel Brock, 30 January 1916 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Robert Brock and Mary Foster. Alta was born 11 August 1896 in Du Quoin, Illinois and died 6 June 1991 in Joliet, Illinois. Alta is buried in Woodlawn Cemetery, Joliet, Illinois. Loren and Alta lived in Du Quoin, Illinois. They were members of the Baptist Church. Loren's occupation was farming and timberland. Alta Ethel Brock lived in Joliet, Illinois. Loren married (2) Viola Grubb 16 February 1942.

Children of Loren Commean and Alta Brock are (1) Loraine "Dean" Ethelyn Commean, born 24 May 1916 in Du Quoin, Illinois; (2) Leonard Brock Commean, born 31 August 1918 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 2 December 1996 in Galesburg, Illinois and buried in Oak Lawn Memorial Gardens, Galesburg, Illinois; and (3) Leola Geraldine Commean, born 12 December 1920 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 8 June 1962. Leola married John Joseph Byrnes 23 April 1942 in Peoria, Illinois. John and Leola (Commean) Byrnes did not have any children from this marriage. *Submitted by Helen Lorretta (Dibuono) Commean*

## COMMEAN-DIBUONO

Leonard Brock Commean was born 31 August 1918, in Du Quoin, Illinois and died 2 December 1996 in cottage Hospital, Galesburg, Illinois and is buried in Oak Lawn Memorial Gardens, Galesburg, Illinois. Leonard was the son of Loren Lyle and Alta Ethel (Brock) Commean. Leonard married Helen Lorretta Dibuono, 22 April 1939 in Peoria, Illinois at the Justice of the Peace. Helen is the daughter of Joseph Dibuono and Santa Marie Vullo. Helen was born 18 April 1921 in Dixon, Illinois.

Children of Leonard Commean and Helen Dibuono are (1) Leonard Alfred "Bud" Commean, born 12 August 1941 in Galesburg, Illinois; (2) Linda Sue Commean, born 1 October 1943 in Galesburg, Illinois; and (3) Bruce Wayne "Butch" Commean, born 19 September 1946 in Galesburg.

Leonard and his partner, Harvey Stremmel, owned and operated Peerless Window Cleaners



for 50 years, retiring in 1983. They purchased the business originally from a fellow for \$500 down. Leonard and Helen were members of the Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, and former members of St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Leonard was a member of the Galesburg Moose Lodge, the Galesburg Jaycees and the Galesburg Area Chamber of Commerce. Leonard had diabetes which caused kidney failure and heart disease. Leonard also had scoliosis very badly. Helen had coal black hair. Leonard had blond hair and blue eyes. Helen was born in Dixon, Illinois, her parents moved to Peoria, Illinois when she was small. She met Leonard in Peoria, Illinois and after marrying, they moved to Galesburg, Illinois to buy the business. *Submitted by Helen L. (Dibuono) Commean*

## COMMEAN-FRED

Charles Paul Dean Commean was born 27 October 1933 at home on Smith Avenue in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, son of Charlie Layton and Gertrude Virginia (Miler) Commean. Paul married Naomi Ruth Fred 18 May 1957 in Du Quoin Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Elmer Fount Fred and Lillian Faye Dasher. Naomi was born on 12 December 1933 at home in St. John, Illinois in the house next to the St. Johns Pentecostal Church.



*L to R Back Row: Robert Imhoff, Paul Kevin Commean, Rebecca Anne Meyer Middle Row: Barbara Imhoff; L to R Front Row: Naomi (Fred) Commean and Paul D. Commean.*

Children of Paul Dean and Naomi Ruth Commean are: 1) Paul Kevin Commean, born 13 July 1959 in du Quoin, Illinois, Marshall Browning Hospital; and 2) Barbara "Barb" Ann Commean, born 16 March 1964 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Barb married Robert "Bob" Thomas Imhoff 12 September 1987 in Auburn, Illinois.

Paul Dean lived at 353 North Division Street while a youth. Paul went to J.B. Ward Elementary School and Naomi went to the St. Johns Elementary School, and both attended Du Quoin High School.

Paul worked at Rector Brothers clothing and shoe store selling shoes. He worked for Illinois Brothers Electrical Workers Union, Blue Bell Packing Company and he National Life Insurance Company in Du Quoin. While working for Blue Bell Packing Company, he met Naomi Ruth Fred. They first lived at 341 East Franklin over the garage at Mr. and Mrs. Neals. Then they lived over Paul Dean's Aunt Viegga and Uncle Marion Commean's garage on 522 East Keyes Street in an apartment in Du Quoin, Illinois.

They moved to Springfield, Illinois on 4 August 1961 and lived on 1<sup>st</sup> Street and Vine. Paul Dean worked for the Springfield Refined Oil Company. They moved back to Du Quoin, 1 Novem-

ber 1965 and he worked for Norge in Herrin, Illinois. They moved back to Springfield, Illinois on 18 March 1967 and Paul started working at FS Farm Supply in Springfield, Illinois on 13 March 1967. They moved their mobile home from Du Quoin to Milton Mobile Manor on Milton Avenue in Springfield, Illinois where they currently reside. Paul enjoys watching sports and various other shows on TV, reading and putting together puzzles. He retired from FS in March 1997.

Naomi worked at Blue Bell from May of 1951 until December 1958 when her first child, Paul Kevin, was born. She sold Christmas, birthday, and all occasion cards to people door to door in the early 1970's. She worked for WVEM radio station from 1 November 1971 selling radio advertising until December 1979. She worked as a bank receptionist from 6 April 1980 until 1 June 1987 at the Land of Lincoln Bank in Springfield, Illinois. She worked for the State of Illinois at the Willard Ice Building in the State Income Tax division from April 1988 until March 1989. Naomi is a member and attends the House of Prayer Apostolic Church in Springfield, pastored by her brother-in-law, Leroy Donathan. Naomi loves to watch Christian programs on TV and crochet. Paul and Naomi love their three cats. Naomi is retired. *Submitted by Paul Dean and Naomi (Fred) Commean*

## COMMEAN-GEE

Wilbur Elmer Commean, Jr. was born 16 November 1930 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. HE is the son of Wilbur Elmer and Virginia Ruth (Reiss) Commean. Wilbur, Jr. Married (1) Marjorie June Krause 1950 in Reno, Nevada. He married (2) Marlene H. Glasscock 1969 in Las Vegas, Nevada, daughter of William Glasscock and Pearl Unknown. He married (3) Linda Ray Gee 26 August 1982 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Linda was born on 14 January 1940 in Harrisburg, Saline County, Illinois. Linda is the daughter of Charles R. Gee and Wilma Brown.



*Linda Ray (Gee) Commean and Wilbur Elmer Commean, Jr.*

Wilbur and Linda live in Waltonville, Illinois, north of Sesser, Illinois. He was a coal miner and worked in semiconductor processing laboratories. Enjoys reading, competitive games, and TV. Religion: Baptist Logan Street Baptist Church, Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Children of Wilbur Commean and Marjorie Krause are: (1) William Michael Commean, born 26 May 1952; died 1952; and (2) Pamela Kay Commean, born 1954.

Children of Wilbur Commean and Marlene Glasscock are: (1) Kevin Ray Commean, born 30 March 1965 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County; Adopted child; and (2) Mark Ross

Commean, born 15 February 1968 in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Pamela Kay Commean was born 1954. She married Don Keene.

Children of Pamela Commean and Don Keene are: (1) Michael Keene; (2) Clinton Keene; and (3) T.J. Keene.

Kevin Ray Commean was born 30 March 1965 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. He married (1) Susie Kuberski. He married (2) Charlotte Rojek 1983 in Tamaroa, Illinois.

Child of Kevin Commean and Charlene Rojek is: (1) Patrick Commean, born 29 January 1983.

## COMMEAN-HAWK

Christena Ileen Commean was born 8 October 1919 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She was the daughter of Elmer Levi and Christena (Stanhouse) Commean. She married Kenneth "Kenny" Lyle Hawk 16 April 1939 in Pennyville, Missouri, son of Silas Hawk and Belle Eubanks. He was born 1 April 1917 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.



*L to R: Lybrand Hawk, Kenneth Hawk, Ileen (Commean) Hawk, Diana (Hawk) Rolando and Allen Hawk.*

Children of Christena Commean and Kenneth Hawk are (1) Allen Kent Hawk, born 10 May 1941 in Chicago, Illinois; (2) Diana Ruth Hawk, born 14 February 1944 in Chicago, Illinois; (3) Lybrand William Hawk, born 4 July 1945 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Allen married Phyllis Medlin 7 May 1977 in Anna, Illinois. Children of Allen and Phyllis are: (1) Karen Hawk, (2) Silas Hawk, (3) Jimmy Hawk, and (4) Kenny R. Hawk. Diana married Eugene Rolando 19 February 1965 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Child of Diana and Eugene is Travis Rolando, born 1979. Lybrand married Dianna Davison 7 August 1965 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Children of Lybrand and Dianna are: (1) Kimberly Jo Hawk, born 10 February 1967 and (2) Bill Hawk.

Kenny was the youngest son in his family. After Kenny and Ileen were married in 1939 they went to Chicago to work for Valley Mold and Iron Foundry. It was a very dirty job. Ileen said they lived in Chicago for seven years and they lived in seven different places.

Kenny ran all seven of the large overhead cranes at the foundry. He said the foundry made large molds used for making large ingots of steel. He was able to stay out of the war by working in the foundry. Kenny said they would work seven days a week, anywhere from 8, 12, 16 hours per day. AS soon as Victory Day arrived, he quit his job and packed up the family and moved to Du Quoin. He did not want to raise his children in Chicago.



Kenny was able to get a job at the Blue Bell Packing plant when he returned to Du Quoin. He worked there from 1945 until he retired in the 1980's. In 1956 he was elected the head of the Packing House union. He took the workers out on strike for six months. He was the paymaster for the union. He was successful in getting Blue Bell to give the employees a large wage increase of 25 cents per hour. In 1957, he was offered a job with the United Packing House Workers union which was an international union. He worked for the United Packing House Workers union for some time, but did not like it due to all the traveling away from home.

He was offered a company job at Blue Bell and accepted it after signing a contract with them. He was a supervisor for the whole plant. He had supervised every department in the plant during his time there.

Kenny loves to fish and hunt. He and Ileen loved to travel the US in their motor home and would stay with friends. Both were members of the Christian Church.

## COMMEAN-HIGGS

Leonard Alfred "Bud" Commean, born 12 August 1941 in Galesburg, Illinois, son of Leonard Brock and Helen Lorretta (Dibuono) Commean. Leonard Brock Commean was born 31 August 1918, in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Bud married (1) Barbara Joan Ruland Steele, 15 August 1963. Children of Barbara Steele and step children of Leonard "Bud" Commean are (1) Bradley Steele and (2) Brandi Steele. Bud also has two grandchildren Cassidy and Jacob. Bud married (2) Joyce Elaine Higgs, 17 August 1985 in Galesburg, Illinois, daughter of Donald Louis Higgs and Naomi Evans. Bud has no natural children by either marriage.

Leonard "Bud" and Joyce Commean own and operate a business called "DSS" (Dock Seal Specialty). They are members of St. Patrick Catholic Church. They are both very active in the church. The live about 4 miles north of Galesburg.

Bud's children: Bradley Steele and his wife, Laurie, live in Galesburg and both are in real estate. Brandi (Steele) McKie lives in Florida.

## COMMEAN-IMHOFF

Barbara "Barb" Ann Commean was born 16 March 1964 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Charles Paul Dean and Naomi Ruth (Fred) Commean. Barb married Robert "Bob" Thomas Imhoff, 12 September 1987 in Auburn, Illinois, son of Robert Allan Imhoff and Patricia Janette Thompson. Robert Thomas Imhoff was born on 22 April 1966 in Kankakee, Illinois.

Barb attended Pleasant Hill Elementary School, and Lanphier High School in Springfield, Illinois. She graduates from Lanphier in 1982. Bob attended Thayer Elementary School in Thayer, Illinois and Virden High School in Virden, Illinois. Bob graduated in 1984.

Barb learned how to be a dental assistant working for three different dentists in Springfield, Illinois. Barb is a Dental Technician at Oratech in Springfield, Illinois and has worked there for 11 years. She builds tooth crowns. Robert Imhoff, Barb's husband, also works as Dental Technician at Oratech in Springfield, Illinois and Bob has been there 12 years. He makes the metal portion of crowns. Barb met Bob at Oratech in 1986 and they were married in 1987.

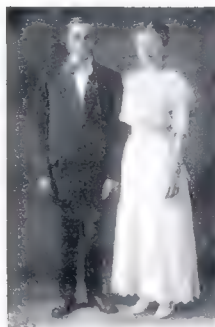


Robert and Barbara (Commean) Imhoff.

Barb enjoys visiting and shopping with her friends. Barb loves to play her soprano and alto saxophones at the House of Prayer Apostolic Church in Springfield, Illinois, pastored by her Uncle Leroy Donathan, and also in a group of musicians called "Hope Celebration" at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Auburn, Illinois. Bob loves to fish in various lakes around Virden, Illinois in his bass boat. He loves to collect old coins with his metal detectors. Both, Barb and Bob, like to visit old antique malls to find interesting antique items. They both love their Siamese cats. They currently live in Virden, Illinois. Submitted by Robert Thomas and Barbara Ann (Commean) Imhoff

## COMMEAN -JACKSON

Lola Grace Commean was born 16 December 1891 in Paradise Prairie, Illinois, and died 5 December 1986 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Lola is buried in IOOF Cemetery, in Du Quoin, Illinois. Lola's parents were Alfred and Cora May (Keller) Commean. Lola married William Franklin Jackson 12 October 1913 in Paradise Prairie, Illinois, son of Frank Jackson and Nancy Elizabeth (Johnson) Jackson. William was born 12 March 1889 in Perry County, Illinois and died 19 April 1973 in Du Quoin, Illinois. William is buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois.



William and Lola Grace (Commean) Jackson.

Children of Lola Commean and William Jackson are: 1) Twila Mae Jackson, born 12 July 1919 in Du Quoin, Illinois; (2) William F. "Billie" Jackson, Jr., born 8 March 1925 in Du Quoin, Illinois; William, Jr. died 14 January 1932 in Du Quoin, Illinois and he is buried in IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois; and (3) Bobby Gene Jackson, born 18 September 1932 in Du Quoin, Illinois.

William and Lola lived in Du Quoin, Illinois. They were members of Methodist Church in Du Quoin, Illinois and later joined the First Church of the Nazarene, Du Quoin, Illinois. William's

occupation was a machine operator at United Electric Mine. William was a very good carpenter. His hobbies were gardening, planting vegetables and flowers. He would plant flowers to hide the tall vegetables. William Jackson's parents are believed to have lived in Sunfield, Illinois. William had two brothers, Bert and Otto, and a sister named Dolly Low and possibly one other sister. Lola was a great seamstress. Lola loved to sing and enjoyed making quilts. Submitted by Twila Mae (Jackson) Nagel

## COMMEAN- KELLER

Alfred Risden Commean was born 21 October 865 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, and died 25 June 1957 in Paradise Prairie, Illinois. He is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Alfred was the son of Levi Ernest and Christianna (Fischer) Commean. Alfred married Cora May Keller 24 March 1891 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of John A. Keller and Nancy V. Eakin. Cora May was born 4 April 1867 in Du Quoin, Illinois and died 27 December 1943 in Paradise Prairie from diabetes. Cora is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry county, Illinois.



Adults: Alfred Risden and Cora May (Keller) Commean  
Children: Lola Grace and Loren Lyle Commean.

Children of Alfred Commean and Cora Keller are: (1) Lola Grace Commean, born 16 December 1891 in Paradise Prairie, Illinois; died 5 December 1986 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; and (2) Loren Lyle Commean, born 31 May 1898 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; died 12 January 1970.

Alfred owned and lived at his parent's old homestead because he was the oldest son. From the Klyne Jack Keller's "History of the Keller Family" book, Alfred and Cora lived in Perry County, Illinois some six miles east of Du Quoin. Jack Keller's book contains much of Cora's family history. Alfred's occupation was farming and keeping it in tip top condition. They were still living in Perry County as of 1940. They were members of the Paradise Baptist Church known as the White Church in Perry County, Illinois. Twila (Jackson) Nagel, Alfred's grand daughter, remembers going to the White Church with her parents and grandparents. Lola often talked about people coming to their home and singing around the organ. She played the organ at church some. Alfred's hobbies were taking good care of the livestock and his dog, who was dreadfully afraid of lightning. Cora's hobbies were cooking and fixing people's hair. Alfred became gray in his 20's. Alfred had a 160 acre farm at the south end of 2375 East Magnolia Road about .8 miles south of Kimmel Road off of Highway 51 in Perry County, Illinois. There was a saw mill and plenty of water



on the farm. Loren built a house across the yard from Alfred. Alfred gave the land to his daughter, Lola (Commean) Jackson. Lola willed the land to her children, Bob Jackson and Twila (Jackson) Nagel. The old Commean Homestead location still has the brick house on it that Loren Commean built. The old Levi Commean house was torn down and Alfred built a new home on the same location which was located across the street from Loren's house. Later, Alfred's house burned. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean and Twila Mae (Jackson) Nagel*

## COMMEAN-KING

Levi Ernest Commean (1<sup>st</sup>) was born 10 December 1841 in St. Clair County, Illinois, and died 16 November 1888, due to a run away horse team. He is buried in the Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Levi was the son of Risdon and Christiense (Fischer) Commean. Levi (1<sup>st</sup>) married Martha Canzada King 3 August 1862 in Perry County, Illinois daughter of Joshua King and Polly Brooks. Martha was born on 14 May 1843, in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois, and died 8 March 1936. Martha is buried in the Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois.



*Levi Ernest Commean, 1<sup>st</sup> and Martha Canzada (King) Commean.*

Children of Levi and Martha are: (1) Alice C. Commean, born October 1863 in Perry County, Illinois (2) Alfred Risden Commean, born 21 October 1865 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 25 June 1957, in Paradise Prairie and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery; (3) Elmer Levi Commean, born 23 February 1872, in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois; died 21 November 1939 in Du quoin, Illinois and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery; (4) Minnie Ethel Commean, born 2 October 1873, died 7 February 1897, and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery; and (5) Levi Ernest Commean (2<sup>nd</sup>), born 28 December 1883, in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 13 April 1963 in Herrin, Williamson County, Illinois and buried in Herrin City Cemetery Illinois.

Levi was a farmer and spent most of his adult life living in Paradise Prairie, Illinois. After Levi (1<sup>st</sup>) died, Martha married her brother-in-law, Elisha Gaines Keeling. Martha lived at 309 North Line Street in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Risdon Commean (1<sup>st</sup>) married Christiense Fischer) on 18 March 1838 (License #317, St. Clair County, Illinois marriages 1791-1845). After Risdon's death (approx. July 1843 per St. Clair County Illinois Probated and Non-Probated Wills, Book C, PP. 274-275), Christiense married Elam Silkwood and moved to Perry County, Illinois before 1850 with her two sons Levi (1<sup>st</sup>) and Risden (2<sup>nd</sup>) Commean. Elam and Christiense Silkwood moved to California before their deaths. Oral his-

tory of the Commean family states that Levi (1<sup>st</sup>) and his brother, Risden (2<sup>nd</sup>), walked beside a wagon to Illinois from North or South Carolina. Emily "Commean" Finegan and Paul Kevin Commean believe it was Levi's father "Risdon (1<sup>st</sup>)" who came to St. Clair County, Illinois with his father, Rickets Commean, from North Carolina or South Carolina because Levi (1<sup>st</sup>) and his brother, Risden (2<sup>nd</sup>), were both born in Illinois (1850 Census of Illinois, Perry County, Page 395). Risden (2<sup>nd</sup>) fought and died in the Civil War.



*Back row L. to R.: Elmer Levi Commean, Levi Ernest Commean, 2nd Alfred Risden Commean; front row L. to R.: Martha Canzada (King) Commean, Alice C. (Commean) Spotts.*

Rickets and his family are found in the 1820 Census of Illinois, St. Clair County, page 128. It appears from Census of Illinois records that Risdon (1<sup>st</sup>) had a brother named John Commean. John married (1) Mereby Johnson on 24 August 1837, in St. Clair County, Illinois, and (2) Mary Fritz on 8 July 1848, in St. Clair County, Illinois John and Risdon (1<sup>st</sup>) were approximately the same age. Families with the last name Commean are found in 1850 and 1870 Census of Delaware with no verified relationship. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean and Photographs provided by Twila (Jackson) Nagel*

## COMMEAN-MEYER

Paul Kevin Commean was born in the Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois on 13 July 1959, son of Charles Paul Dean and Naomi Ruth (Fred) Commean. Paul Kevin married Rebecca "Becky" Anne Meyer on 10 March 1990 in New Life Pentecostal Church, Bridgeton, Missouri where they attended. Becky was born in Roselle, Illinois on 10 June 1965, daughter of Gerald Alan and Susan Eileen (Sharum) Meyer. After their marriage, they settled at 2909 Bob Drive, St. Charles, Missouri. They next moved to 1130 Collingwood Drive, Olivette, Missouri and then 951 Newport Avenue, Webster Groves, Missouri. They currently live at 1116 Oliveaire Lane, Olivette, Missouri just outside of St. Louis, Missouri.

Paul and Becky have four girls: Angela Hanna Michelle, born 14 April 1991; Hannah Christine Elisabeth, born 3 March 1994; Michelle Kristie Anna, born 30 January 1996; and Krisite Anne Ariel, born 17 August 1997. All four were born in either DePaul or St. Johns Mercy Hospitals in St. Louis County, Missouri.

As a child, Paul loved to visit his relations on Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays. Paul enjoyed the family vacations to Yellow Stone national Park, Disney World in Florida, Niagara Falls and Cleveland/Cincinnati, Ohio. Paul graduated from Lanphier High School in Springfield, Illi-

nois in 1977 and received his Electrical Engineering Degree from Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Georgia in 1982.



*L to R Back Row: Angela and Hannah Middle Row: Paul Kevin; L to R Front Row: Kristie, Rebecca and Michelle Commean.*

Paul initially worked for McDonnell Douglas (now Boeing) designing automatic test equipment for the F-18 Hornet Navy fighter planes. Paul worked next for Cencit, Inc. in St. Louis making computer surface scanning technology capable of capturing and replicating a person's three dimensional facial/head features. The Cencit 3D sculptures were sold in Sears stores where he met his wife, Becky, who was a studio manager. Paul currently works for Mallinckrodt Institute of Radiology (part of Washington University Medical School) in St. Louis, Missouri where he is currently doing medical research for below knee amputees and many other types of research projects. Paul has published 25 medical research papers in various conference proceedings and in scientific/medical journals since joining Mallinckrodt in 1992. Paul and Becky read books of all kinds. Paul helps Becky with her business, "Anything Sewn" doing the accounting, planning, legal aspects, etc. Paul loves to learn, play with his children and work on their house.

Paul's main hobby is his family history research. He has performed extensive genealogy research on Becky's family as well as his own. Paul helped organize the 1996 Commean family reunion published in the Du Quoin Call 31 July 1996. Paul plans on publishing his family history some day and placing copies in the Du Quoin, Springfield, and St. Louis City/County Public Libraries.

Becky graduated from Valley Lutheran high school in Saginaw, Michigan and received a Bachelor of Arts from Michigan State University in 1988 majoring in advertising. Becky is a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and they currently attend Immanuel Lutheran Church in Olivette, Missouri. Becky operates Anything Sewn, a sole proprietorship making custom window treatments (1992 to present). The most important thing in Becky's life is her family. She enjoys running her business and decorating. She loves flowers, art and music, and played the flute as a girl. *Submitted by Paul and Becky Commean*

## COMMEAN-MILLER

Charlie "Charley" Layton Commean was born 26 April 1907 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and died 14 March 1978 in Carbondale, Illinois, in Memorial Hospital. Charlie was the son of Elmer Levi and Christena S. (Stanhouse) Commean, Charley is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery. Charlie married Gertrude "Gert" Virginia Miller 27 July 1928 in Pinckneyville, Perry



County, Illinois. Gertrude was born on 25 March 1908 in Louisville, Kentucky. Gertrude Virginia was the daughter of Jolly Cashmere and Palestine Mae (Mattingly) Miller. Gertrude died 22 November 1983 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Gertrude is buried in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.



Charlie and Gertrude (Miller) Commean.

Children of Charlie and Virginia (Miller) Commean are; (1) Naomi "Nicki" Lois Commean, born 13 September 1929 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois in Marshall Browning Hospital; and (2) Charles Paul Dean Commean, born 27 October 1933 at home on Smith Avenue in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Charlie's first job was in the Majestic Coal Mines in Old Du Quoin. Charlie was a member of Du Quoin Masonic Lodge 234, AF and AM Mitchell White Shrine 81 of Pinckneyville, and belonged to the Easter Star. Charlie started working for the Blue Bell Packing Company in Du Quoin, Illinois in the early 1930's and worked there 42 years. Charlie was the supervisor of the Special Products Department and retired in the early 1970's. Charlie and Gert loved to fish and hunt together. Charlie had bird dogs he would use while hunting. Charlie liked to bowl and play pool. Gertrude loved growing flowers indoors and outdoors. She especially loved to grow orchids. She loved her large and small collie dogs. She liked birds, especially purple martins, and had houses for them in her yard. She loved to sew and crochet. She made most all of the children's clothes and crocheted many afghans and house shoes. She was a member of the White Shrine. Charlie and Gert first lived at 353 North Division Street in Du Quoin. Charlie had a large garden behind their house on Division Street in Du Quoin, Illinois. Every year they would can all of the vegetables from the garden. Charlie and Paul Dean built a beautiful tan brick house about 3 miles west of Du Quoin, Illinois. In 1965, Charlie and Gertrude moved to 205 South Illinois Avenue in Du Quoin where they lived the remainder of their lives. Charlie had two large gardens on the side and behind their house on Illinois Avenue. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean and Naomi (Commean) Poling*

## MINNIE ETHEL COMMEAN

Minnie Ethel Commean was born 2 October 1873, and died 07 February 1897 in Perry County, Illinois. Minnie is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Minnie Ethel was the daughter of Levi Ernest Commean (1<sup>st</sup>) and Martha Canzada King. Martha's middle name has been spelled Casander and Kensada. After reading John J. King's biography (Martha's brother) found in the Randolph, Jackson, Perry and Mon-

roe Counties, Illinois book published in 1894, we find a Martha C. who is married to Levi Commeans and there appears to be a second Martha Canzada who is deceased. Martha may have been named after a deceased sister. Minnie's grave marker is intricately carved, beautifully decorated and shaped like a tree trunk with the bark removed and the wording etched on the underlying wood, but the grave stone has weathered causing difficulty in reading some of the words and the top of the cylindrically shaped stone is missing. Minnie is buried next to her parents in the Paradise Prairie Cemetery. Minnie was a very pretty woman. It is rumored that Minnie died of tuberculosis, but there are no known documents which declare the cause of death.



Minnie Ethel Commean.

Minnie's father, Levi Ernest Commean (the first) was a farmer with \$1500 of real estate in 1870. Levi (1<sup>st</sup>) and Martha Canzada (King) Commean were living next door in Perry County, Illinois to Levi's mother (Christiana or Christiense "Fischer" "Commean" Silkwood) and stepfather, Elam Silkwood in the 1870's per the 1870 Census of Illinois. Due to many spelling errors years ago that are found in public documents, we are uncertain as to the correct spelling of Christiense Fischer's first and last name. Her last name may have been spelled "Fisher." Christiana married Elam Silkwood after Risdon Commean (1<sup>st</sup>) died in St. Clair County, Illinois in June/July 1843. It is also important to note that Minnie Ethel Commean's grandfather's Risdon Commean (1<sup>st</sup>), first name may have been spelled Ridsen. Paul Kevin Commean has found the Commean name in many different 1800s Census records spelled as follows: Comein, Commene, Commean, Commen, Camen, Commean, Comeen, and Commeans. Elam Silkwood was born in Kentucky. Christiana Fischer was born in Germany. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

## COMMEAN-NELSON

Linda Sue Commean was born 1 October 1943 in Galesburg, Illinois, daughter of Leonard Brock and Helen Lorretta (Dibuono) Commean. Leonard Brock Commean was born 31 August 1918 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Linda married Jack Leslie Nelson, on 22 October 1960, son of Leslie Deforest Nelson and Wilma Clara. Jack was born on 7 September 1938 in Galesburg, Illinois. Children of Linda Commean and Jack Nelson are: (1) Todd Leslie Nelson, born 28 April 1961; (2) Trent Lee Nelson, born 28 June 1963; (3) Troy Leonard Nelson, born 27 February 1968; and (4) Tabitha Lin Nelson, born 1 January 1970. Todd Leslie Nelson married Bobbi Betti, 14 March 1992. Todd and Bobbi have two children (1) Erica,

born 30 April 1989 and (2) Caitlin, born 24 February 1993. Trent Lee Nelson married Julie Hanna, 21 October 1989. Trent and Julie have two children (1) Trever, born 25 March 1991 and (2) Taylor born 28 July 1993. Troy Leonard Nelson married Pam Brittingham 24 May 1997. Troy and Pam have one child, Trenna, born 20 November 1992.

Linda (Commean) and Jack Nelson own an antique shop in Galesburg, dealing mostly in antique paper items. They travel all over the United States buying and selling antiques. Linda is of the Catholic faith. They live in Galesburg.

Todd Nelson, his wife and girls live in Arizona. Trent Nelson, his wife and children live in Galesburg, Illinois. He works at Caterpillar and she is a surgical nurse. Troy Nelson, his wife and daughter live in Galesburg, Illinois. Troy is a Disc Jockey. Tabitha Nelson lives in the Chicago, Illinois area. Tabitha travels the county setting up computer systems for casino's and gaming boats.

## COMMEAN-PATRICK

Marion Glenn "Snookey" Commean was born 16 October 1930 in Du Quoin, Illinois and died 8 November 1985 in Deltona, Florida. He was the son of Marion Clay and Veiga Elaine (Vancil) Commean. He married Audra Patrick.

Children of Marion Commean and Audra Patrick are: (1) Dana Neal Commean, born 16 April 1966 in Brevard Hospital, Melbourne, Florida; and (2) James Commean, Adopted child, son of Audra's sister.

Snookey's funeral services were held at Daldausf-Stephens funeral home in Deltona, Florida, 12 November. He was employed by Westinghouse, Inc. Snookey and Audra were cremated and their ashes were scattered over the Atlantic Ocean.

## COMMEAN-POLING

Naomi "Nicki" Lois Commean was born 13 September 1929 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois Marshall Browning Hospital, daughter of Charley Layton and Gertrude Virginia (Miller) Commean. She married Dwayne Eugene Poling 26 June 1949 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, First Presbyterian Church, son of Carl Edwin Poling and Ella Evangeline Spohn.



Naomi (Commean) and Dwayne Poling.

Children of Naomi Commean and Dwayne Poling are: (1) Gary Alan Poling, born 2 March 1952 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, Marshall Browning Hospital, died 17 May 1995 in Sparta, Illinois; (2) Dana Lynn Poling, born 20 February 1954 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, Marshall Browning Hospital (3) David Wayne Poling 7 May 1958 in Wood River, Illinois, Wood River Hospi-



tal; and (4) Mark Eugene Poling, born 19 September 1964 in Wood River, Illinois, Wood River Hospital.

Dwayne and Nicki are both retired in live in Houston, Texas.

## COMMEAN-REISS

Wilbur Elmer Commean, Sr. was born 3 August 1903 in Sato, Illinois, and died 10 August 1984 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and was buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. He was the son of Elmer Levi and Christena (Stanhouse) Commean. He married Virginia Ruth Reiss 28 April 1923 in Centralia, Illinois, daughter of Fred C. Reiss and Clarinda May Hartsock. Virginia was born on 25 July 1904 in Halidayboro, Illinois and died 10 May 1990 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Virginia is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois.



*Wilbur Elmer Commean, Sr. and Virginia Ruth (Reiss) Commean.*

Children of Wilbur Commean and Virginia Reiss are (1) William "Bill" Fredrick Commean, born 26 December 1923 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and died 2 May 1997 in Pinckneyville, Illinois and buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Perry County, Illinois; (2) Trella Jane Commean, born 26 May 1926 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; (3) Phyllis "Jimmie" Elaine Commean, born 24 April 1928 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; and (4) Wilbur "Webb" Elmer Commean, Jr., born 16 November 1930 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Wilbur was killed by a train while walking at the Main Street crossing in Du Quoin, which was the same crossing where his brother's foot (Walter's foot) was crushed. Wilbur had poor sight and was hard of hearing so he did not hear the train. He was a life time coal miner and a member of Local #5134. Wilbur's funeral was at Maxton Funeral Chapel. Wilbur and Virginia were members of the First Christian Church. He was a deacon and elder. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean and Phyllis (Commean) Flood*

## COMMEAN-RODGERS

Elaine Commean was born 2 January 1942 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Elaine was the daughter of William Loren and Jessie (Wilson) Commean. Elaine married (1) Ronnie Rodgers 1960 in Carbondale, Illinois, son of Grover Rodgers and Juanita Hoague. Elaine married (2) Archibald Allen 1970 in Jacksonville, Illinois, son of Ransom Allen and Bertha Patterson.

Elaine is self employed - cleaning service- has had pretty much the same clients for almost 10 years. Also, she does private sitting with the elderly (care giver). Elaine is a Jehovah's Wit-

ness. She is very happy and has peace of mind now that she has the truth. She doesn't have much free time, but she does crochet and read. She has a 15 year old white fat cat for a companion. Elaine spends her free time reading, studying and attending Kingdom Hall and doing door to door witnessing. Elaine lives in Springfield, Illinois.

Children of Elaine Commean and Ronnie Rodgers are; (1) Randal Dale Rodgers, born 15 March 1961 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; (2) Sheri Lyn Rodgers, born 2 August 1962 in Du Quoin, Illinois; and (3) William Marion Rodgers, born 1 January 1964 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 20 August 1995 in West Point, Mississippi and is buried at Sunset Memorial Park in Du Quoin, Illinois.



*Elaine (Commean) Allen.*

Child of Elaine Commean and Gary Worthington (deceased) of Du Quoin is Scott Eric (Worthington) Allen, born 5 August 1965 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Child of Elaine Commean and Archibald Allen is Tracie Lee Allen, born 21 November 1968 in Springfield, Illinois.

Randal Dale Rodgers married (1) Sue Luna. He married (2) Brenda Violet. Children of Randal Rodgers and Brenda Violet are: (1) Deanna Rodgers, born 27 October 1987 in Illinois; (2) Randy Rodgers, born 21 November 1988 in Illinois; and (3) Haley Renee Rodgers, born 1 January 1993 in Illinois. Randy lives in Joliet, Illinois and drives an Amoco gas truck in the Chicago area.

Sherri Lyn (Rodgers) Allen's children are: (1) Danielle Marie Allen, born 26 November 1979 in Springfield, Illinois; died 21 September 1994 in Springfield, Illinois; (2) Devynn Eugene Allen, born 29 March 1989 in Springfield, Illinois. Sherri is an office manager of T.M.I. Analytical Service in Springfield, Illinois.

William Marion Rodgers married Amber Jourdan. Children of William Rodgers and Amber Jourdan are: (1) Jordan William Rodgers, born 9 November 1992 in Illinois; and (2) Jesse Ray Rodgers, born 25 November 1994 in Mississippi.

Scott Eric Allen married Rai Powell 2 June 1993 in Reno, Nevada. Child of Scott Allen is Erica Allen, born 26 December 1990 in California. Child of Rai is Joey DuBois born 13 June 1984. Scott is in the nursing profession in Tacoma, Washington.

Tracie Lee Allen married P.L. Borders in 1984. They lived in Washington state because he was in the Army. Child of Tracie Lee Allen is Nikolas Scott Allen, born 27 April 1992 in Springfield, Illinois. Tracie is a manager of Wilson Leather in Champaign, Illinois. *Submitted by Elaine (Commean) Allen*

## COMMEAN-SMITH

Bruce Wayne "Butch" Commean was born 19 September 1946 in Galesburg, Illinois, son of Leonard Brock and Helen Lorretta (Dihuono) Commean. Leonard Brock Commean was born 31 August 1918, in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Bruce married (1) Jane Moore in 1963 now deceased. Butch and Jane had a child Melissa Jane Commean. Melissa married Brian Ruder and they have three children, (1) Jacob Ray, (2) Paul Brian and (3) Mitchell Thomas. Bruce married (2) Judith Ann Cotton, 28 December 1968. They had no children. Bruce married (3) Teresa Jane "Terri" Smith, 26 November 1975 in Galesburg, daughter of Marion Wayne Smith and Marilyn Jean Hayes. Teresa was born on 25 November 1954 in Macomb, Illinois. Child of Bruce and Teresa is Kristi Commean born 4 August 1980 in Galesburg, Illinois.

Butch Commean and his wife, Terri own and operate a business called "Pro Power Wash" a steam cleaning company. Butch also is a window washer for 30 years taking over Leonard Brock Commean's (his father) part of Peerless Window Cleaners after Leonard retired. Butch and Terri also deal in antiques, mostly furniture, which is also their hobby. Butch is of Catholic faith. They live about 8 miles north of Galesburg.

Kristi Commean lives at home. Melissa "Missy" (Commean) Ruder, husband and sons live near Springfield, Illinois. Missy raises dogs, and her husband works for the State of Illinois.

*Submitted by Teresa Jane (Smith) Commean*

## COMMEAN-SPOTTS

Oscar "Watt" Spotts was born February 1860 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County, son of Samuel Spotts and Anna M. Brashears. Oscar married Alice C. Commean 5 July 1882 in Perry County, Illinois daughter of Levi Ernest Commean (1st) and Martha Canzada King. On their marriage license, Oscar's last name is spelled Schotts. Alice was born in Perry County, Illinois in October of 1863. Alice was the oldest child from the union of Levi and Martha (King) Commean.



*Alice C. (Commean) Spotts.*

Children of Oscar Spotts and Alice Commean are: 1) Lyle O. Spotts, born November 1886 in Illinois; 2) Mabel M. Spotts, born March 1883; and 3) Ethel Spotts.

Alice C. and Oscar D. Spotts were living at 112 West Edwards Street in Springfield, Illinois (Sangamon County) on 11 June 1900 during Census of Illinois. Oscar was a State Employee and rented his home at 112 West Edwards. Alice's parents were both born in Illinois as was Alice. Alice was known to have three children but only two were living in 1900 (Lyle and Mabel). Alice and Oscar Spotts moved to Okmulgee, Oklahoma



in the early 1900's. During the 1910 Census of Oklahoma, Oscar's employment was Labor-Teaming as was his son, Lyle who lived next door to them in Okmulgee, Okmulgee County, Oklahoma.

Lyle O. Spotts was born November 1886 in Illinois. HE married Laura M. about 1907. Child of Lyle and Laura Spotts is Oscar D. Spotts, born about 1908 in Kansas.

Kenny and Ileen "Commean" Hawk visited Alice Spotts in Okmulgee, Oklahoma in the 1950's.

Samuel Spotts was born 7 May 1812 in Delaware and married Anna M. Brashears about 1838 in Kentucky. Anna was born about 1816 and died in 1893. Both are buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois.

Samuel and his son William E. Spotts were carpenters in 1860.

Children of Samuel Spotts and Anna Brashears were: (1) William E. Spotts, born 17 July 1839 in Kentucky; died 11 November 1866 in Illinois, and buried in Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; (2) Emma Spotts, born 1842 in Kentucky. She married Ged Wiley 1865; (3) Alice Spotts, born 1844 in Illinois; (4) Elizabeth Spotts, born 1846 in Illinois; (5) Samuel Spotts, born 5 April 1848 in Illinois; Died 19 May 1940 in Illinois, and buried in Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. He married Elizabeth; (6) Albert Spotts, born 14 September 1850 in Illinois; died 16 May 1865 in Illinois, and buried in Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; (7) Walter Spotts born 1852 in Green County, Illinois; died 1927. He married Mary Jennie Auber; (8) Helen Spotts, born about 1853. She married Unknown Valentine and moved to St. Louis, Missouri; (9) Laura Catherine "Kate" Spotts, born 12 January 1855 in Illinois; died 8 July 1923 and buried in Du quoin IOOF Cemetery. She married David Harris Hughes; (10) William Spotts, born 1857 in Illinois; (11) Oscar "Watt" Spotts, born February 1860 in Du Quoin, Illinois; (12) Caroline Spotts. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

## COMMEAN-STANHOUSE

Elmer Levi Commean was born 23 February 1872 in Paradise Prairie, Illinois and died 21 November 1939 in Du Quoin, Illinois, and he is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Elmer was the son of Levi Ernest (1<sup>st</sup>) and Martha Canzada (King) Commean. He married Christena "Teaney" "Tena" S. Stanhouse 25 March 1896 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois daughter of Walter Stanhouse, Sr. and Rebecca Yancey. Christena was born on 23 January 1878 in Perry County, Illinois and died 23 March 1944. Christena is buried in the Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois.

Children of Elmer Commean and Christena Stanhouse are: (1) Walter Levi "Man" Commean born 14 October 1896 in Paragould, Arkansas; died 2 March 1981; (2) Alice J. Commean, Born 13 March 1899; died 2 August 1900 and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; (3) Lottie Commean, born 22 April 1900; died 9 July 1900 and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; (4) Wilbur Elmer Commean, Sr., born 3 August 1903 in Sato, Illinois; died 10 August 1984 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County; (5) Charlie "Charley" Layton Commean, born 26 April 1907 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; died 14 March 1978 in

Carbondale, Illinois and buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Perry County, Illinois (Charlie and Harlie were twins); (6) Harlie "Harley" Clayton Commean born 26 April 1907; died 22 July 1907 and is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery. Harley died from indigestion; (7) Marion Clay Commean born 18 December 1909 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 26 August 1993 in Du Quoin, Illinois; (8) William Loren "Dude" Commean, born 5 March 1915 in Du Quoin, Illinois, died 30 March 1945 in Germany in W.W.II and buried in the Netherlands ; and (9) Christena Ileen Commean, born 8 October 1919 in Du Quoin, Illinois.



*L to R: Charlie, Christena (Stanhouse) Elmer, Christena Ileen, Walter, Wilbur, Marion and William Commean.*

Elmer and Christena first lived on 522 East Keyes Street then moved to 509 East North Street. Rebecca (Yancey) Stanhouse lived next door (east) of Elmer and Christena on North Street. Elmer was a coal miner and member of Local Union #5134 United Mine Workers of America and worked in the Paradise Mine. Elmer had a very large garden behind his house on East North Street. When Elmer was not working at the mines, Walter, Wilbur and Elmer would hunt small game. They would sell milk and produce from his garden to make money. His garden was approximately 200 feet square. Family members state he raised some of the best vegetables in town. Elmer died in his family residence at 509 East North Street, Du Quoin, Illinois from an acute case of asthma from which he had long suffered. Funeral services were held at the Paradise Baptist Church in Paradise Prairie, which he was affiliated with in his youth. After Elmer's death, Christena married Homer S. Banks and moved to Oregon. Christena passed away in Milwaukee, Oregon from pneumonia after three days illness. She was a diabetic. She was a Pentecostal by faith for years. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

## COMMEAN-TAYLOR

Trella Jane Commean was born 26 May 1926 in Du Quoin, Perry County Illinois. She is the daughter of Wilbur Elmer and Virginia Ruth (Reiss) Commean. She married Richard Taylor on 22 February 1948 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Richard was born on 18 March 1931 in Tamaroa, Illinois. Richard is the son of Lyle and Gretchen Taylor.

Richard and Trella lived in Tamaroa, Illinois north of Du Quoin for many years. They moved to Wauchula, Florida in 1996 and purchased a golf course there.

Trella Commean and Richard Taylor have one son, Thomas Wayne Taylor, born 1949.

Thomas Wayne Taylor married Mary Jane Kirkpatrick 29 January 1971.

Children of Thomas Taylor and Mary Kirkpatrick are (1) Diedra Marie Taylor, born

1973; (2) Erica Dawn Taylor, born 1976; and (3) Tamara Lynne Taylor, born 1979.

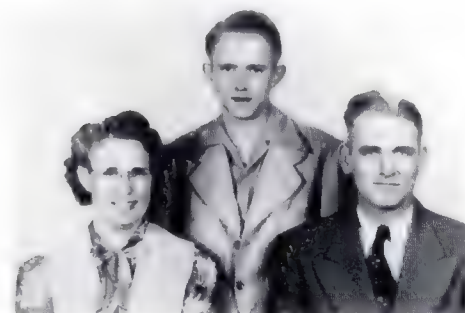


*Trella Jane (Commean) and Richard Taylor.*

Diedra married Robert Restoff on 5 October 1997. No children. Diedra is a nurse and Bobby works in a manufacturing plant, the Air Corps Reserves, and farms with his father. Erica is in college at Southern Illinois University studying to be a special education teacher. Tamara is a Freshman at Rend Lake College and undecided as to her major.

## COMMEAN-VANCIL

Marion Clay Commean was born 18 December 1909 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, and died 26 August 1993 in Fair Acres Nursing Home in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Marion was the son of Elmer Levi and Christena (Stanhouse) Commean. He married Veiga Elaine Vancil 30 December 1929 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois. Veiga was born 9 September 1913 in Du Quoin, Illinois. She was the daughter of Jacob "Jake" Jonas Vancil and Nettie May Gross. Veiga died 3 February 1990 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She is buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Du Quoin, Illinois.



*L to R: Veiga Elaine (Vancil) Commean, Marion Glenn, and Marion Clay Commean.*

Marion and Veiga had one child: Marion Glenn "Snookey" Commean born 16 October 1930 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 8 November 1985 in Deltona, Florida

Marion and Veiga lived in his father's first house on 522 East Keyes Street in Du Quoin. He was a retired loading machine operator for the coal mines. They were members of the First Christian Church in Du Quoin, Illinois. He was a member of the Du Quoin IOOF Lodge and was the president of the IOOF Cemetery Board in Du Quoin, Illinois. Marion and Veiga are buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Du Quoin, Illinois. Marion Clay Commean said the original Commean Family was from either North or South Carolina and moved to Illinois. Marion loved to talk about his family



history. Marion had a lot of old family pictures that he gave to his descendants. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

## COMMEAN-VANCIL

William "Bill" Fredrick Commean was born 26 December 1923 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County, and died 2 May 1997 in Pinckneyville, Illinois and was buried in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois. William was the son of Wilbur Elmer and Virginia Ruth (Reiss) Commean. William "Bill" married (1) Hilda Imogene Vancil 27 October 1946 in Hernando, Mississippi, daughter of Jacob Vancil and Nettie Gross. Bill Married (2) Virginia Eubanks about 1962. Bill married (3) Grace Lucille Vancil 17 January 1975 in Murphysboro, Illinois, daughter of Jacob Vancil and Nettie Gross. Grace was born on 18 February 1917 in Elkhart, Perry County, Illinois. Grace was first married to Enloe Dale Dempsey, 15 June 1941.



*Back; Melody Bratten Front: Grace and Bill Commean.*

Children of William "Bill" Commean and Hilda Imogene Vancil are: (1) William Eugene Commean, born 2 July 1951 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County; Adopted child. He married Yvette Davis 15 July 1973; and (2) Melody Ann Commean born 22 January 1953 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County; Adopted child. She married Steve Bratten 3 December 1994 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County.

William "Bill" served in World War II. He joined the Navy with eleven other buddies. He joined when he was only 17 years old. He and eleven of his buddies went to Camp Warden located in Idaho. Bill was aboard the Wabash during the war. He was at sea with only one 2 or 3 day leave in the whole 4 years he was enlisted. Most of his time during the war was spent on a 1000 foot tanker carrying aviation fuel. William "Bill" was a coal miner most of his life. He was a mechanic in the mines. Grace was a professional hair dresser. She owned her own salon in Du Quoin, Illinois. Bill and Grace are members of the First Christian Church of Du Quoin, Illinois. Bill was a Deacon and Elder of the First Christian Church and so was Grace. They were active in church activities. Grace taught Sunday School. Bill was a member and master of the Masonic Lodge #234 and the Shriners in Du Quoin. Bill loved to fish using his bass boats in lakes surrounding Du Quoin. They live at 330 South Walnut Street in Du Quoin, Illinois. *Submitted by Grace Lucille (Vancil) (Dempsey) Commean*

## COMMEAN-WILLIAMS

Eugene "Gene" Bradley Commean was born 12 March 1922 in Du Quoin, Illinois home of his

parents, Walter Levi and Mary Ann (Bradley) Commean. Gene graduated from Sacred Heart Catholic School in 1936 and from Du Quoin High School in 1940. He then worked at the AP and Krogers. Gene married Francis Dean Williams, 1 October 1942 in Perryville, Missouri. Francis was born 22 January 1926. She was from Dowell, Illinois. They had one child Mary Frances Commean, born 17 July 1947 at Marshall Browning Hospital, Du Quoin. Gene and Francis later divorced.



*Eugene Bradley Commean.*

Gene was employed at Blue Bell Packing Company in 1940, went into the Army Infantry, WW 2, 1942. He was in Basic Infantry training and made Corporal stripes, then was sent to Africa in 1943 and was in the Sahara Desert. After he made Sergeant stripes, he left by convoy to Italy. He received two battle stars of the Rome-Arno campaign and the northern Apennines. He had four overseas service bars, the American Campaign ribbon, good conduct medal and the WW 2 Victory medal. He came home 18 December 1945.

He then worked at Blue Bell until 1973 when he began working for the International Amalgamated Meat Cutters Union, 2800 North Sheridan, Chicago. He was always union oriented, having belonged to the Central Labor Union etc.

In 1974, the Meat Cutters and Retail Clerks merged into the United Food and Commercial Workers. HE then worked out of the Washington, DC office at 1800 K Street. He then traveled to all of US, Canada, Puerto Rico and Hawaii.

Gene retired in 1984. He had always been interested in new cars, guns etc. He also had a great interest in TV's, VCR's, making movies of a lot of his trips. He loved to hunt and fish with his father at the Big Ponds. They loved to duck hunt together.

On of Gene's great loves is for his granddaughter, Michelle. *Submitted by Eugene Bradley Commean*

## COMMEAN-WILSON

William Loren "Dude" Commean was born 5 March 1915 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, and died 30 March 1945 in Germany at the end of World War II. William Loren is buried in the only U.S. Cemetery in the Netherlands in Plot 17, Row 7, Grave 29. The Cemetery lies in the village of Margraten, 6 miles east of Maastricht, Netherlands. Dude was the son of Elmer Levi and Christena (Stanhouse) Commean. Dude married Jessie Wilson 3 May 1941, daughter of Gilbert and Katherine Matilda (Conrad) Wilson. Jessie was born 5 April 1914 in Pinckneyville, Illinois Jesse died in Springfield, Illinois on 11 July 1979 from lung cancer and she is buried in Sunset Memorial Park in Du Quoin, Illinois.

William Commean and Jessie Wilson had a daughter, Elaine Commean, born 2 January 1942 in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Dude loved to play the piano. Most of the time when anyone mentions the name "Dude" Commean, they always talk about how good he could play the piano and how good looking he was. He was always the hit of any party. Everyone loved to hear him play the piano. He could hear a song played once on the radio and play it himself. He would travel to Chicago and play the piano there.



*Back: Christena Commean; L to R Kneeling on Ground: Jessie (Wilson) Commean, Alan Hawk (baby boy standing), William "Dude" Commean and Elaine Commean (baby in Dude's arms).*

Jessie did washings and ironing. She attended the Baptist Church. She pieced quilts and embroidered. Her daughter, Elaine, says she was a wonderful person. Dude and Jessie both worked for the same place (possibly the WPA) in Du Quoin, Illinois. Jessie told Elaine her father, Dude shoveled potatoes and Jessie did paperwork before they were married.

Dude entered the service in WW II on 10 May 1944 from St. Louis, Missouri and was sent overseas in November 1944. The Bronze Star was awarded on 4 January 1945 to Sergeant William L. "Dude" Commean (then private) Infantry, Company F, 414<sup>th</sup> Infantry, United States Army, for his heroic achievement in connection with military operations in Germany on 14 December 1944. Sergeant Commean and six comrades volunteered to rescue a wounded officer lying in an exposed position 150 yards from enemy placements. The men made their way across the fire-swept, muddy terrain, and successfully carried the wounded man to the aid station. Jessie and Elaine were living at 304 North Line Street at the time. Dude died in German in World War II. Gene Commean said Dude was killed in action just 38 days before end of war on 30 March 1945 in Germany. Dude received a Purple Heart for his heroic service. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean and Elaine (Commean) Allen*

## COMMEAN-YATES

Levi Ernest Commean II was born 28 December 1883, in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois. Levi (II) died 13 April 1963 in Herrin Hospital in Herrin, Williamson County, Illinois and is buried in Herrin City Cemetery, Illinois. Levi (II) was the son of Levi Ernest (1<sup>st</sup>) and Martha Canzada (King) Commean. Levi (II) married (1) Sarah Emily Yates, 31 March 1906, daughter of Thomas Yates and Amanda Singleton; (2) Ollie B. Thompson 18 April 1915, in Williamson County, Illinois, daughter of L. Thompson and Unknown Spears; (3) Maud Swann 9 September



1944, in Energy, Williamson County, Illinois, daughter of Ezekiel Swann and Maggy Carr; and (4) Cordelia "Anna" Trull 17 April 1947, daughter of Willis Trull and Alice Trout.



Levi Ernest Commean II and Sarah Emily (Yates) Commean.

Children of Levi Commean and Sarah Yates are: (1) Wilma Ethel Commean, born 15 July 1907; died 19 September 1964, Wilma Ethel never married. (2) Levi Ernest Commean III, born 5 September 1909 in Energy, Illinois; and (3) Albert Lyle "Sulley" Commean, born 18 February 1912.

Levi (II) lived in Energy, Illinois first then Herrin, Illinois. Levi (II) lived in Herrin for 46 years. They family believes he moved to energy, Illinois to work in the coal mines. He was an ordained Baptist minister and a cola miner. Levi (II) and Elaine Hopkins' father worked in the Freeman Coal in Freeman Spur, Illinois. Levi (II) could speak some German. Sarah Emily Yates lived and died in Herrin, Illinois. Sarah died of tuberculosis at age 23. Cordelia "Anna" Trull died of a coronary thrombosis.

Albert Lyle "Sulley" Commean married Elaine Hopkins, 26 February 1949. Albert died 7 February 1978 and he is buried in East Lawn Memorial Cemetery, Herrin, Illinois. Elaine was born 4 December 1924 in Herrin, Illinois. Albert was a member of the First Baptist Church in Herrin, Illinois. Albert worked at Norge Company located in Herrin, Illinois. Albert and Elaine lived in Herrin, Illinois.

Child of Albert Commean and Elaine Hopkins is Jerry Glen Commean, born 23 April 1951. Jerry married [1] Debbie Swinford and [2] Karen Clark. Jerry lives in Chatham, Illinois.

Children of Jerry Commean and Debbie Swinford are: (1) Timothy Commean, born 28 August 1975; (2) Mark Commean, born 7 August 1979; and (3) Marci Commean, born 9 September 1980.

Child of Jerry Commean and Karen Clark is Jonathon Commean, born 9 March 1990; died 22 May 1991. *Submitted by Emily (Commean) Finegan*

## CORGAN-SEIBERT

The Frank Corgan family lived in the Tamaroa Community for many years. There were several Corgans in the Tamaroa area. Among them were: Frank, Edgar, Fred, Wayne, Milton, Cordell and others.

Frank Corgan's wife was Mary Seibert. The Seibert's lived in the County. There were several Seibert's in the County. This was a well known family also.

Frank and Mary Corgan were the parents of Homer Corgan who was a pharmacist in the County and in Benton, Illinois.

Another off spring of Frank and Mary Corgan was a daughter, Hazel Corgan. Hazel Corgan was also a teacher in the Tamaroa Elementary School in Tamaroa.

Homer Corgan married Margaret Boismenu of Pinckneyville. Their daughter was Janet Corgan who was a pharmacist in Benton, Illinois.

Hazel Corgan married Duane W. Hortin, commonly known as D. W. Hortin of Albion, Illinois. He was superintendent of the Tamaroa Schools. He later became assistant principal of the Du Quoin High School. The Hortins have a son, David Hortin, and attorney at law in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Duane W. Hortin was graduated from McKendree College in Lebanon, Illinois, with an A.B. Degree and from the University of Illinois with a Master Degree.

Hazel Corgan Hortin is deceased. Duane W. Hortin lives in Du Quoin as a retired teacher of 40 years experience. An account of Duane W. Hortin will appear in this history book.

After teaching for many years in Perry County, both of the Hortins were employed as teachers in the public schools in Cook County, Illinois, in Wheeling, Illinois. Duane Hortin was an administrator in the high school, and Hazel was a grade school teacher there.

## CRAIG FAMILY



L to R Back Row: Burr Butler (Ann's Husband), Jim Craig and Tom Craig; L to R Front Row: Ann (Craig) Butler, Andy Craig and Margaret Elizabeth.

Pictured are the 3 brothers and a sister of Margaret Elizabeth (Craig) (Beggs) Brown. The 3 brothers and 2 sisters are the children of John and Jemimah A. Craig who were married in 1858 and established a home in the Lost Prairie area of Perry County, John immigrated from Ireland.

## CRAIN-BECK

Earl Dean Crain and Marie Beck were united in marriage at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in St. Louis, Missouri, on 23 January 1943.

Earl Dean or "Red" as he was called, was born on 7 September 1924, to Earl and Mildred (Lutz) Crain. Marie was born on 10 January 1923, to Edward and Bertha (Mayer) Beck.

To this union was born three children. Their first child was a son, Earl Dean, Jr., "Skip," and then came their two daughters, Cynthia Sue and Barbara Marie.

Skip was married to Jennifer Blythe, and they had one daughter, Melissa - "Missy." He later married Cathy (McLain) Keene.

Cynthia married Dennis Szarek and they had one daughter, Diana Lynn - "Dee Dee."

Barbara married Larry Haley, then later married Jerry Davidson.

"Red" and Marie's first granddaughter, Missy Crain, married Barry Kellerman and their other granddaughter, Dee Dee Szarek, married Raymond Baudison. On 7 January 1994, their son, Bradley Matthew Baudison was born.

"Red" was a semi-truck driver for Frazer Truck Lines in Pinckneyville for many years until his death in 1979. He is buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Pinckneyville. He was a veteran of World War II. His tour of duty was with the Special Forces branch of the U.S. Army known as the Merrill's Marauders, which operated in the China, Burma, and India theater. He was very proud of being a part of that endeavor.

Marie was always a homemaker' always there for her children, grandchildren and great grand-son.

## CRAIN-WALTON

John (Benjamin) Crain was born 6 February 1759 in North Carolina. He and his brother Lewis served in the North Carolina militia during the Revolutionary War; both were in their teens. John served three to four months, then served again later.

In 1776 he married Mildred Walton, who was born in Virginia in 1760. To this marriage were born thirteen children. Eight of the children were born in Georgia: Susannah, Thomas, James, Patience, William, Betsy, Eleanor, and Lewis. The other five born in Tennessee were: Squire, Joel, Mildred, John and Benjamin.

John (Benjamin) Crain and his sons moved to Kaskaskia in 1799 settling near the mouth of St. Mary's River near Chester and the nearby island called Crain Island. Joel and Squire served in the Indian Wars of 1812-1814. Squire and his wife are buried at Crain Cemetery near Chester.

John's son James was born in 1778 in Georgia. He settled north of Denmark in 1818. He married Elizabeth?. James had five children. James was asked to help lay out the county seat. He died before the 1850 census and Elizabeth then lived with son, Benjamin.

Another son of James was William Harrison born in 1813. He lived in the Vergennes area. With first wife Delilah House was born son Wilson. After his death he married Louisa Quillman with whom he had five children.

One of his sons, Samuel was born 27 October 1856. He married Louisa Henson in 1884. Samuel was a farmer. He died in 1893 and is buried at Creekpaum Cemetery near Vergennes. Louisa took in boarders to help support her children. She later married Samuel's cousin Ashby Crain. She is buried next to Samuel.

Their son Boon was born 28 April 1886. He married Marie Gerstenschlager in 1908. They had a daughter, Corarena who died shortly after birth, Jacob Clemant, Wilbert, and Dorothy. The family lived in Conant and Du Quoin. Boon was a farmer and miner. When he and Clemant opened a tavern on the NE corner of the square, he moved to Pinckneyville.

Boon died on 15 December 1963. Marie died in March 1974. Both are buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery.

Jacob Clemant was born 27 April 1912. He married Esther Wheatley. Clemant was a miner. Their son Glenn was born in January 1941. Esther died a few days later. Glenn has three sons: Kevin, James and Gary.

In 1943 Clemant married, Ernestine Rennison born 21 March 1914. Clemant served



in WW II. He worked with his father at Boon Crain Tavern after the war. They had a daughter, Joanne born 25 May 1944. She has two sons from a marriage with Tom Miller: David born 31 October 1968 is married to Vicky Koester, and Steven born 16 December 1968. Ernestine died 21 August 1976. Clemant died 10 August 1980. Both are buried at Mueller Hill.

## CRANGLE-MYERS

James Thomas Crangle was born in 1855 in McNairy County, Tennessee to Thomas Crangle who had immigrated from Ireland and Martha Angeline Campbell who was born in Tennessee. Thomas Crangle, Sr. served the Union in the Civil War, first in Company C of the 31<sup>st</sup> Tennessee Infantry, and Company A, 6<sup>th</sup> Tennessee Cavalry from 1861-1865. He was discharged as a 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant. He later was married to Martha Archer, Nancy A. Tull and Margaret R. Laughlin. He died in 1905 and is buried at Ingle Cemetery, McNairy County, Tennessee.



L to R Back Row: Pearl, Harry, Anna; L to R Front Row: Goldie, Ruth, Elsie.

Martha Angeline Campbell's parents were William Campbell and Loueza Vann or Vaun. When she came to Perry County, in 1863 she was married to William Ford. The 1870 Perry County Census states that Andrew J. Ford, age 12, James Thomas Crangle, age 14, John Henry Ford, age 4, and Harvey, age 1 were in the household. William Ford died in 1871. In 1872, she married Patrick Ferris and in 1884, she married John Abraham. Martha died in 1894.



James Thomas Crangle.

James Thomas Crangle married Genneth E. "Nettie" Lee who died in 1881. He then married Ruth Myers in 1881, the daughter of Thomas L. Myers and Sarah Jane Hoey. The Hoey name has been spelled many ways. Sarah Jane was the daughter of Jim and Jane Hoey of Florence, Alabama. Thomas L. Myers is believed to have been the son of Samuel Myers, Sr. and Ruth Woodside. Thomas served the Union in the Civil War Company B, 1<sup>st</sup> Alabama Cavalry. He is buried at Lee Cemetery with a C. W. marker.

James Thomas and Ruth Crangle had a son Jesse in 1882 who died in infancy, twins in 1883 who also died, Anna in 1884, Pearl in 1885, Goldie in 1889 John Thomas Harry Providence in 1891 and Elsie in 1893. Anna married Henry Winkler, Pearl married Howard Blanchard Haines, Elsie married James Bailey. Pearl died in 1913 and Howard Haines married Goldie. John T.H.P. was killed in a train accident in 1909.

The children of Anna and Henry were Maxine, Russell, and Lois. Jim and Elsie had Velma, Helen, Harry, June and Shirley. The children of Pearl and Howard were Ruth who married Harold Wolfe and Richard Warren who married Marybelle Kimmel.

James Thomas Crangle was killed in a mining accident in Tamaroa 4 November 1901 by falling slate. His obituary is in the Tamaroa Times. He is buried in Tamaroa Cemetery. Ruth Crangle died in 1930. *Submitted by Mary T. Haines*

## CREWS-KELLER

Frank Raymond Crews was born in Jackson County, Illinois 8 September 1921 to Henry Scott Crews and Maggie Manus Crews. He was one of ten children. On 2 March 1941 he married Ruth Electa Keller in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Ruth was born 12 November 1923 in a Du Quoin, the youngest daughter of Blanche and Arthur Keller.



Frank and Ruth Crews family.

Frank served in the Seabees from September 1943 until December 1945. Ruth worked for the Department of Agriculture in Washington D. C. and resided in Arlington, Virginia with her sister during World War II.

They have two sons, Michael of Anna is a teacher and coach and Alan is a Director of Trade Schools in Louisville, Kentucky for ITT.

They have five grandchildren, Susan, (Shelly) Norris, Douglas Neil Crews, Laura, Kevin and Amanda Crews.

Frank retired in 1983 after 45 years working for Truax Traer and Consolidation Coal Company. Ruth retired in 1985 after working for the Du Quoin National Bank.

They are members of the the First United Methodist Church and live in Du Quoin.

## CUCCATTI-FRASSATO

The descendants of Joe and Angelia (Frassato) Cuccatti are:

I. Mary, who married Caligano "Charlie" Lombardi and had a son, Sam.

II. Venciente, born 1903 in Coal City, Illinois, who married Margaret Perona and had four children.

A. Joe married Delores Herber, then Diane Harder.

B. Jean married Harry House and had two children:

1. Brad married Deanna Bennison
2. Lisa married Martin Scalf and had three children:
  - a. Nathan
  - b. Neill
  - c. Krystal
- C. Carl married Carol Tucker and had three children:

1. Tanya
2. Angela married Mike Knight
3. Phil married Tracy Doneff and had Kyle
- D. Robert married Geneva Kirkpatrick and had.

1. Rhonda married Alan Neuhaus and had daughters:

- a. Kayci
- b. Ashley
2. Stacy married Larry Louis and had:
  - a. Shaneille
  - b. Kaylee

III. Marianna "Yonna" born 1905 Coal City, Illinois married Peter Peradotto, 1892 to 1962 (Peter Peradotto Biography)

- IV. Felix who died young.

## CUCCATTI-FRASSATO

The Cuccatti and Frassato families came from Tonengo and Casale in Northern Italy. A brother and sister from the Cuccatti family married a brother and sister from the Frassato family. Four children, two boys and two girls, were born to each of these two families. The children in both families were named the same names—Venciente, Felix, Mary, and Marianna—in honor of the children's common grandparents.

Joe and Anna Cuccatti were the children of Venciente and Mary Morrissi Cuccatti. Other children were: Venciente, Domenica (wife of Maurillio Piretto), and another daughter (name unknown) who later moved to Argentina.

Baldassre "Barney" and Angelia Frassato were the children of Felix and Margaret Boero Frassato. There was also another daughter, Margaret.

Joe and Barney learned to blast tunnels in Germany. They went to Venezuela to blast for the railroad and earned enough money to buy passage to the United States where they settled in Coal City, Illinois. Other families who may have accompanied Joe and Barney are the Bruno, Giacomo and Milano families. The families later moved to Pinckneyville.

## CZAYO-KONARCIC

John Czayo was born 19 January 1873, in Dolna Zubreca, Trestna, Orava Austria-Hungary. He had one sister, Juliana. His mother died when he was a small child. His father remarried so there were some half-brothers. Because of a cruel step-mother he left home when he was six years old and hired out taking care of geese and sheep. As he grew older he worked as a mender of wares and then as an assistant in a blacksmith shop. When he was twenty-one it was compulsory for him to enter the military service. The army life was very rough and the soldiers received cruel treatment.

While training in Budapest he met Mary Konarcik and they were married in Budapest on 16 June 1898. When army life became unbearable he left the service and found his way to America. He worked in the coal mines of Providence and Marshwood, Pennsylvania about 1901.



Later he found work in the timberlands around Ashland, Wisconsin. He sent for his wife and three-year old son, John. The voyage was very rough especially for second class passengers and the little boy almost died during the trip. They were finally joined together in Ashland, Wisconsin.



Mrs. Mary Rose Czayo, John Jr., Mary, George M., Joe and "Sport" (dog).

When John Czayo and his friends heard about the coal fields in southern Illinois, he and his friends' families packed their belongings and bought their passage in a box car to Du Quoin, Illinois about 1904. He continually worked in Perry County coal mines around Du Quoin until 30 June 1938, when he was forced to quit due to pulmonary tuberculosis, now called miner's asthma or black lung. Although he worked in the deep pit coal mines for 34 years under the adverse conditions of those times, he was not allowed a pension or the benefits of black lung.

Mary Konarcik was born in Polhora, Ustia, Orafaska, Austria-Hungary on 19 December 1879. When she was seventeen years old she left home to work in the city. She worked in Budapest as a hod carrier; however, because the lime caused sores on her hands and legs, she quit that work and worked as an assistant dressmaker. When her husband left to go to America she made a living for herself and son, John, by making ladies' hats and repairing them.

John and Mary Czayo received their naturalization papers in the City Court of Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois on 16 January 1915.

Their family consisted of eight children: Anthony, John, Mary Ann (Hestand), George Mark, Joseph Francis, Anna Mary, Christopher and Frank Edward. Anthony died in infancy, John lived 26 years, Christopher died after 6 months, and George died 30 August 1995.

John Czayo died 21 June 1960 at 87 years of age. Mary Czayo died on 3 July 1939 at 59 years of age due to cancer. *Submitted by Childs*

## CZERWINSKI-WACHOWSKI

Cecilia Wachowski was born to Xavier and Eva nee Kossak Wachowski in La Salle, Illinois, on 12 November 1888. Xavier was born in Kraczki, Wirsitz, West Prussen (Poland) 7 January 1860 and immigrated with several relatives to La Salle where they found jobs in the zinc foundry and West Bend Clock Company. Xavier married Marianna Kozak 23 January 1883 St. Hyacinth in La Salle. Children: Paul, 14 January 1884-17 January 1884; Agnes, 12 January 1885-27 September 1973; and Anna 20 January 1887-1 April 1887. Agnes married Martin Marshalek 22 April 1902 St Michael's Radom. They spent their final years on their farm in Perry County near her sis-

ter, Cecilia. The farm was sold in 1998 by the widow of son, Nick.

Xavier married Eva Kossak on 10 March 1887 at St. Hyacinth in La Salle providing a mother for his young family. Children besides Cecilia: Joseph, 20 November 1890 married Rose Kyscki Malinowski 1920; Maria 1892-19 December 1897; Xavier, Jr. 20 August 1893-6 May 1990 married Catherine Stelmach 27 April 1920; Rose 5 December 1895-20 August 1989 married John M. Novak 20 September 1921 and Frank Kasban 6 February 1932; and Stephen August 1897-?

Shortly after Joseph's birth, the family moved to Radom along with Eva's brother, Anton Kossak, Mother and stepfather, Paul and Rosalia nee Konczak Charapata. Xavier had purchased a farm from Lucas Sonnenburg on the edge of Radom, now farmed by his grandson, Edwin Wachowski. The Charapata farm was nearby.

Eva was only 27 years old when she died on 23 March 1899. On 11 July 1899 Xavier married Frances Novak Szczepanski. This was the mother and grandmother so fondly remembered by Wachowski children and grandchildren.

Cecilia married Felix Czerwinski, who lived two farms away on 15 October 1906 in Radom. Their sons, Adam and Frank were born in Radom. For a short time the family lived in St. Louis before moving to a farm on Shamrock Road in Perry County where sons, Leo and Ben were born. She always preferred the outdoor work over housework. Like most farmwives she cared for the chickens, a large vegetable garden and filled her yard about the house with flowers as well as helped in fields.

She did manage a fourth grade education, spoke and wrote both English and Polish and was a frequent letter writer throughout her life. She never failed to answer a letter written by a grandchild. Her one specialty in the kitchen was fried catfish caught in the farm pond by her grandchildren.

Cecilia stayed on the farm only a short time after her husband's death going to live in northern Illinois with her son Leo's family. She passed away on 4 March 1971. She and Felix are buried in the cemetery of Immaculate Conception Parish, Tamaroa of which they were among the first members. *Submitted by Janet Czerwinski Marence*

## FELIX CZERWINSKI

Felix Czerwinski bought land in Perry County Township 4S Range II West Section 24 on what is now Shamrock Road in May 1908 from John Goldman, Sr. Felix was born 23 April 1881 in a log house built by his father on land purchased from the ICC in July 1873, just outside Radom, Illinois. In 1992 it was taken down and the square logs transported to be incorporated into another building.

Ludwig and Marianna (Panek) Czerwinski immigrated from Bakowo, Bydgoszcz, Posen in 1871 with sons: Victor 15 October 1865-6 July 1943 married Anna Traeder 3 February 1891; Joseph 23 December 1868-9 May 1942 married Cecilia Dawicki 9 May 1899; and Appolonary (Paul) 27 March 1870-4 November 1949 married Anna Sierkierski 11 February 1895 and Johann Czerwinski (presumably a brother).

Other children including Felix were: Jan, 1 January 1864-12 October 1964; Mary, 1 January 1874-31 December 1846 married John Pelker February 1892; Josephine 21 February 1876-8 Feb-

ruary 1951 married Anton Wyciskala 7 August 1894; Stanislaus, 26 December 1879-1 February 1902. Their half brother Stefan Szopinski, 2 September 1887-27 May 1967 married Frances Wisniewski (1908) and Helen Prusaki (1913).



Czerwinski Family Farm.

Ludwig died 4 May 1882 and Felix was raised by a stepfather, John Jacob Szopinski.

Felix married Cecilia Wachowski on 15 October 1906 at St. Michael, Radom. Children: Adam, 1907-1907; Frank born 5 December 1908 in Radom; Leo Max, 11 February 1911-11 March 1988; and Ben, born 29 August 1921 were born on the farm in Perry County.

Ben took over the farm from 1943 to 1948 while Felix worked in St. Louis.

Felix returned to the farm in 1948 but never farmed full time again, eventually renting the land to other farmers. Felix played the violin in his younger days but his first love seemed to be walking his land which he did nearly every day until his health failed. He passed away in the Pinckneyville Hospital on 30 June 1963. *Submitted by Janet Czerwinski Marence*

## DALMAN

Rozalia Dalman born 19 February 1882 in Du Bois Twn. Washington County, Illinois was one of seven children born to Frank and Katharine Chlebowski Dalman. Frank and Katharine both immigrated to Chicago around 1871 and their families. Frank was the son of Anton and Josephine Walcrewski Dalman. His parents and their other children: Joseph born abt. 1846 married Anna Maslowski; Anna born abt. 1854 married Joseph Gorski; Anton, 2 March 1856-14 February 1937 married Catherine Wachter; and Catherine born abt. 1861 settled in Lemont Twn, Cook County, Illinois around Sag Bridge and the city of Lemont. Frank married Katherine on 3 February 1873 at St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church in Chicago. They resided in Sag Bridge where daughters, Mary 1873-7 February 1895 married John Kalas and Hedwiga 15 October 1875 - 21 October 1881 were born.

By February 1877 Frank and Katherine had moved to Du Bois Twn., Washington County, Illinois. There five children were born: Michael, 15 June 1877-20 December 1945 married Josephine Rybacki 4 November 1896 and Pele Marchwinski 5 May 1908; Frank 3 May 1880 - 10 June 1943 married Mary Bochantin 24 September 1907; Joseph 27 January 1884 - 17 January 1975 married Veronica Bochantin 26 September 1905 and Frances Gajewski 1914; Wladyslawa "Lottie" October 1885 - 22 March 1925 married Thomas Kuberski and Rozalia.

Rozalia or Rose as she was known was 18 years old when she married Joseph Grott on 7 May



1900 at St. Charles in Du Bois. Despite her diminutive build she gave birth to nine children with three of her sons more than two feet taller than her. Food was not always plentiful during those years. The children remember that livestock was raised primarily to be sold. Their tin lunch boxes carried sandwiches made of lard and bread. A Christmas orange was a much appreciated gift.

Joseph provided the children with wooden shoes he made and of course the girls wore dresses made from feedsacks. The shoes and the dresses were not uncommon among their schoolmates.

The family prospered and were able to build a new two story house to replace the small two room house with a summer kitchen out back that they moved into in 1918. Unfortunately the house burned in the 1940's shortly after Joseph and Rose had begun to build a smaller home across Route 51 from the original house on the north end of Tamaroa. They never finished the smaller home completely since Joseph became ill and died 16 June 1948. Rose's health had begun to fail and by 1950 she was bedridden with arthritis. During those years she had frequent visits from family, friends and acquaintances and correspondence from many who had left the area but still remembered her. On 21 July 1959, she passed away at home with several family members present. Rose and Joseph had 17 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren, and 42 great, great grandchildren to this date. *Submitted by Janet Czerwinski Marence*

## DANBURY

George Washington Danbury was born in Warren County, Ohio 3 April 1848, son of Phillip and Catherine (Rhodes) Danbury. In Spencer County, Indiana, 27 October 1869, George married Lydia Perry. While living in Indiana, George and Lydia had four children: Anna Catherine, James, Mary and Hayden Aquilla. In 1888, the family moved to Du Quoin, Illinois. George enlisted in the Civil War 4 January 1864 with the Ohio Cavalry. He was mustered out 5 July 1865.



*Flora and Hayden Danbury.*

On 10 June 1877 George Danbury was ordained into the ministry of the Baptist Church. He was pastor of the Baptist Church in several towns in Southern Illinois. He was active in the Anti-saloon work for eight years and foreign mission work for two years and two years on the board of trustees at Ewing College in Ewing, Illinois. George died 22 January 1931 in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Lydia (Perry) Danbury was born 10 March 1849 in Davis County, Kentucky. She was one of ten children born to James L. and Catherine (Allen) Perry. Lydia died 27 June 1932 in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Hayden Aquilla Danbury was born 23 January 1883 in Spencer County Indiana. In

Pinckneyville, Illinois 8 December 1903 he married Anna Cyrena Johnson, daughter of James and Jane (Shook) Johnson. Hayden and Anna had three daughters: Elizabeth, Vivian, and Anna. Anna Cyrena died in 1908 and Hayden married Flora Ann Horner 19 April 1909. Flora was the daughter of William and Mary (Knapp) Horner born 26 December 1890. Hayden and Flora had eight children, Maxine born 1909 died in infancy, Mary born 1910 married Richard Dillon, George born 1913 married Irene Morgan, Ruth born 1915 married Joe Degenhardt, Charles born 1917 married Juanita, Bernard born 1921 married Pearl Thorpe, Russell born 1926, and Richard born 1935 married Ruth Ann Cook. Hayden was an electrician by trade and a retired coal miner. He died 24 June 1963 in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Ruth Danbury married Joe H. Degenhardt 4 October 1930 and had two boys Donald Dean born 1 June 1931 and Derrell Gene born 1 June 1933. Donald married Marilyn Murphy and they have three children: Carolyn, Denise and Thomas. Derrell married Shirley Knight and they have three children: Diana, Cathryn and Steve.

*Shirley Knight Degenhardt.*

## DASHER-JACKSON

Grover Cleveland Dasher, born 24 August 1884 in Scheller, Jefferson County, Illinois died 17 May 1969 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and he is buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois. Grover Cleveland was the son of John Alexander Dasher, born March 1831 in Indiana per 1900 Census, Ohio and Susan E. or Sarah Ann Robinson, born May 1843 in Illinois per 1900 Census. Grover married Laura Della "Dellie" Jackson, 26 December 1908 in Mt. Vernon, Illinois.



*L to R: Laura Mae, Lillian Faye, Grover Cleveland, Laura Della (Jackson) Dasher, and Ruby Irene Dasher.*

Laura Della "Dellie" Jackson was born 11 November 1892 in Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois; died 10 September 1944 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and she is buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois. She was the daughter of Andrew Jackson and Sarah Elizabeth Hill.

Children of Grover Dasher and Laura Jackson are: 1) Sarah Elizabeth Dasher, died as an infant and she is buried at the Bald Hill Cemetery in Scheller, Illinois; 2) Laura Mae "May" Dasher, born 24 February 1911 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 2 August 1987 in Carbondale, Illinois; Laura married [1] Benjamin "Benny" Stowers; [2] William "Bill" Wright; and [3] Ray Ross; 3) Lillian Faye Dasher, born 10 February 1913 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 1 December 1970 in Springfield, Sandman County, Illinois and she is buried in the Old Du Quoin Cemetery, Illinois; Lillian married Elmer Fount Fred, 24 December 1930 in Du

Quoin, Illinois; 4) Daisy Mae Dasher, died as an infant and she is buried in Bald Hill Cemetery in Scheller, Illinois. Daisy may have had measles that turned in and caused her death; 5) Ruby Irene Dasher, born 19 January 1917 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; Ruby married Lester Raymond "Boots" Saunders, 4 August 1936 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Lester is buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Du Quoin, Illinois.

Grover was a coal miner in Perry County, Illinois. He would carry his Bible to work with him. He would go down in the mine shaft 500 feet and ride the rail cars over to Christopher, Mulkeytown and Benton, Illinois, which is about 20 miles from the shaft to dig coal. Grover worked for the Majestic Peabody Coal Mine. Grover became Apostolic Pentecostal when a tent revival came to town which he attended. Grover was an Apostolic Pentecostal Minister. Grover was a member of the St. Johns Pentecostal Church located in St. John, Illinois (located north of Du Quoin about 1 mile). The St. Johns Church building has been converted to a house now.

Grover and his wife, Laura, lived on Stacy Street in Du Quoin. After her death, Grover lived on McLean Street, Hickory Street and moved to St. Johns and lived on Hickory Street there. He lived in St. Johns, Illinois when he was in his 70's and 80's. Grover always had candy canes to give his great grandchildren when they visited. Then Grover moved in with his daughter, Faye and Elmer Fred on Stacy Avenue in Du Quoin before his death. *Submitted by Dolores Donathan, Naomi Commean, Paul Kevin Commean*

## DASHER-ROBINSON

John Alexander Dasher was born March 1831 in Indiana per 1900 Census, Ohio. John married [1] Susan E. or Sarah Ann Robinson and [2] Mary (unknown last name). Susan E. or Sarah Ann Robinson, born May 1843 in Illinois per 1900 Census. The 1880 Census of Jefferson County, Illinois showed both of Susan's parents being born in Illinois.

John and Susan Dasher were living in Bald Hill Township in Jefferson County, Illinois during the 1880 Census of Illinois. The 1880 Census of Jefferson County, Illinois indicates both of John's parents were born in Ohio. During the 1900 Census of Illinois, John A and Susan E. Dasher were still living in Bald Hill Township. In the 1900 Census John changed the location of his birth to Indiana from Ohio in the 1880 Census. Du Quoin, IOOF Cemetery Records show that Grover Cleveland's parents were J. and Sarah A. (Robinson) Dasher. Lillian Faye Dasher said that her grandmother, Sarah Ann Robinson, was half Indian.

Children of John Dasher and Sarah Robinson are: 1) Elizabeth Dasher, born 1866 in Illinois; married George Howard; 2) Tarasada "Sadie" "Alazada" Dasher, born 1867 in Illinois; married Unknown Jackson; 3) Samuel Dasher, born October 1874 in Illinois; married Bessie Williams. Samuel Dasher lived on Oak Street in Du Quoin. Samuel lived in Tamaroa, Illinois in 1948; 4) Alexander Ellick Dasher, born in Illinois. Alexander lived in Tamaroa, Illinois in 1948. Never married; 5) Grover Cleveland Dasher, born 24 August 1884 in Scheller, Illinois; died 17 May 1969 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and he is buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois; Grover married Laura Della "Dellie" Jackson 24



December 1908 in Mount Vernon, Illinois. 6) Sarah Ann Dasher, born in Illinois; Sarah Ann married William "Bill" Nickens. The 1900 Census of Illinois had the youngest daughter of Susan E. and John A. Dasher as being Katie J. Dasher, yet in Mrs. Phoebe "Dasher" Culli obituary found in the Du Quoin Call, there is a half sister, Sarah Ann "Dasher" Nickens of Sunfield, Illinois. William "Bill" Nickens lived in Tamaroa, Illinois; and 7) Katie J. Dasher, born March 1886.

Child of John and Mary Dasher is Phoebe Dasher, born 16 December 1871 in Jefferson County, Illinois; died 17 October 1948 in St. Johns, Perry County, Illinois; married Joseph Culli. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commear*

## DAVIS-MUENCH

William Davis according to the US Census was born in Virginia (VA) abt 1803-4 of Welch descent and married Sarah Muench also born in Virginia abt 1808 of German descent. In the US Census of 1880, William and Sarah were living with their daughter Louisa T. and J.J. Fletcher and not found later. They had eight children: Guilford (1829—); Elizabeth (1833—); and Sarah Jane (9 September 1836 - 10 October 1903), wed 17 August 1836 to John Martin; all three born in Virginia. William, Sarah and family were in Perry County, Illinois in 1840; other children: Margaret Julet (1839—) wed 20 August 1857 William Henry Smith Jr; Emily (1845—); John S. (1849—) married Nancy B. and their children were Cyrus, Cletus C. and Bertha V.; Louisa T. (1851—) married J. J. Fletcher (1850—, Tennessee) and their children were: Sophia (1872); Ettie (1878); and Roy W. (1879); all three born in Illinois; and Chafa S. (1856) - all born in Illinois.

William and Sarah were members of the Swanwick Baptist Church from 1843 till it ceased to exist. "Uncle Billy Davis" was its clerk. There were 11 original members of Oak Grove Baptist Church which had its beginning 3 May 1864. According to W. S. D. Smith in about 1913 recalling the Church history, their first house of worship was a log cabin of round logs, then a larger hewed log house which served them until in 1886 when their present house was built (not sure, but there may have been a more recent house built).

There is another Davis family mentioned in the Perry County family book previously issued. The father is Isham David of Welch descent, settled in Virginia. He married Miss Gilliam. Family moved to Warren County, Kentucky in 1808 and then Isham died. The only child mentioned was Richard Gilliam Davis born 1806, Virginia. He married Mary Elizabeth Bradley. In 1828, he came to Illinois and settled in Randolph County near

Steelville. In 1849, he came to Perry County and died near village of Denmark June 1851. Richard Gilliam was an ordained minister in the Baptist Church. He married in Jackson and his child is Richard M. Davis.

William Davis was born 1803 in Virginia, and Richard Gilliam Davis was born in 1808 both of Virginia. William was on Perry County's 1840 Census and Richard came to Illinois in 1828. William was a Baptist. According to Sarah Elizabeth Davis, when she was a child, her "Grandpap Davis" held Sunday School classes in his home and was later Sunday School Superintendent. (Could be time between Swanwick Baptist Church's demise and start up of Oak Grove Baptist. Both men were Baptist, so its feasible they are of the same family. (See George Martin, John Keene, William H. Smith, Asa Hill articles) *Submitted by Melba Hill Cook*

## DAVIS-RABE

Robert Fredrick Davis was born in Xenia, Illinois on 31 August 1935, the third of four children of Herschel Slover and Blanche Ellen Fry Davis of Flora, Illinois. On 2 March 1957, he married Irene Maxine Rabe, born 9 April 1936, in Pinckneyville, Illinois, the youngest of four children, of Henry Friedreich Rabe born 3 September 1903-died 22 November 1971, (eldest twin of nine children) near Breman, Illinois, and Ernestine Anna Mayer Rabe born 27 December 1907-died 3 February 1998, the eldest daughter of Martin Gottlob Mayer of Lost Prairie west of Pinckneyville. Irene's sister Ernestine Lena was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 9 May 1925-died 19 November 1989 in St. Louis, Missouri. She married Albert Clause Miesner on 6 September 1947. They had two daughters, Sandra Kay Miesner Rabin, and Donna Gay Miesner Moll. Henry William Rabe was born on 19 February 1929. He married Ulla Gertrude Kelley (Trudy) on 5 June 1948. They had two sons, Lawrence Douglas and Richard Lee. Lawrence Herman Rabe was born on 7 June 1932. He married Mary Etta Koss on 7 April 1956. They had two sons, Dwight David and Dennis Wayne.



Robert F. and Irene M. (Rabe) Davis.

Two sons were born to Irene and Robert Davis. Bradley Alan Davis was born in Miami, Florida, on 22 January 1958. Phillip Clay Davis was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 23 September 1962. Bradley married Bonita Suzanne Ayers, daughter of Everett and Joyce Ayers on 3 June 1978. They have three children: Brandon Scott Davis born 29 November 1980; Blake Ayers Davis born 29 January 1987; and Brooke Kathleen Davis born 9 June 1989. Philip married Gina Darlene Griffiths, daughter of Larry and Sharon Griffiths, on 10 October 1981. They have twins: Simon

Oliver, and Esther Isabella, born 2 October 1997 in Hershey, Pennsylvania. Robert Davis is a retired school administrator and teacher of Kincaid, Illinois. Irene is a retired high school librarian's assistant at the Taylorville High School, Taylorville, Illinois

## DAVIS-SANDERS

Patrick Joseph Davis married Martha C. Sanders 11 August 1859. They lived just south of Tamaroa, at first living in the home of Isaac Young. Patrick was an honest and upright man who provided for his family through farming and tilling the soil. To this union were born three girls and one boy: Edna Ann, Martha Elizabeth, Franklin Patrick (they were twins), and Mayme. Martha is thought to have died during childbirth in the 1870's. Sadly, the exact dates of death, or the burial places are at this time unknown for Patrick and Martha Davis.

The parents of Patrick and Martha are among those sturdy, stout hearted and courageous pioneers who labored together to help establish the early frontier lands of Illinois.

Patrick Joseph Davis was the second son of John and Elizabeth (Huggins) Davis. John Davis served with the Twelfth Infantry that was mustered into three years of service 1 August 1861. This Illinois Infantry fought bravely in many Civil War battles. They served as an important part of McArthur's Brigade fighting at Fort Donnelson, the battle of Shiloh and the siege of Corinth. Listed among the "Men from Perry County - Muster Roll Company F" was John H. Davis, missing in action at Sand Mountain, Alabama, 30 April 1863.

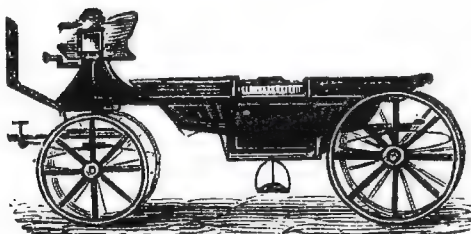
Patrick's mother, Elizabeth, was the daughter of Robert Huggins, who came to Illinois from South Carolina in 1803 and lived for some years in the Irish settlement. It is reported he then moved to the Opossumden Prairie. Robert was widely known as a very skilled backwoods huntsman, comparable to Daniel Boone. Elizabeth Davis' mother was Catherine Lively, who came from the Joseph Lively family which had settled in the Opossumden Prairie in 1823. The Lively's originated in the Abbeville District, South Carolina, coming to Illinois around 1805.

Martha Sanders Davis was the daughter of Thomas and Jemima Sanders. Thomas Sanders' name appears often in the early governmental and educational administration/development of Perry County. After the untimely death of wife, Jemima, Thomas married Mrs. Martha Stone, widow of Albert Stone, who already had four children: Zachariah, Willard, Ada and Edward.

The Davis/Sanders ancestors helped to establish, nurture, and maintain our personal and religious freedoms, at the same time imparting to their children the basic fundamentals of integrity, strong work ethics, good moral convictions, and belief in God. Among family group names formed from this original Davis/Sanders union are: Huie, Davis, Jeremiah and Salisbury.

## DECKER-JOHNSON

John Decker was born 3 March 1879 in Perry County, Illinois. His father was Jacob Decker born 1844 in Germany. His mother was Maria Martin and they were married 26 November 1867 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Their children were: Kate, Peter born 1875; Henry and John born 1879. Maria died in childbirth. Jacob remarried Josephine Martin Mangin on 11 January 1881 in





Pinckneyville. She was Maria's sister. A son, George was born 1885. She raised the family.

John grew up in Perry County near Pinckneyville. He moved to Bureau County near New Bedford, Illinois around 1900. He married Nellie Josephine Johnson Kolb on 27 February 1901. They had seven children: William, born 20 January 1902, died 29 December 1921 of heart failure and typhoid fever. Mary Melvina, born 9 August 1904 died summer 1983. Edith Leota born 17 May 1906 is still living. John Clark born 13 June 1908 is still living. Florence Irene, born 30 September 1910 died 2 October 1985. Alvin born 31 July 1912 died 1950 and Emma Ruth born 15 August 1915 is still living. Alvin also served his country in World War II in Europe.



John Decker and Nellie Josephine Decker.

John and Nellie farmed most of their lives near New Bedford, Manlius, Thomas and Tampico. Their last years of farming were done near Kewanee, Illinois. Before moving to town, John got to work for the machinery and conveyor company during World War II. He had a good sense of humor and was quite good at telling stories. Sundays were spent with his children and grandchildren all gathered around to listen while he played old time songs and hymns on his fiddle. He was really quite good and could entertain all, on the harmonica. When John got tired, Florence would play the piano or organ and all would sing hymns for an hour.

Nellie had what's called green thumb. She raised gorgeous flowers, Christmas Cactus and grew great gardens. She raised tomatoes and potatoes by the bucket. Nellie also was a good cook as well as a wonderful crocheter. She also did quilting. Her dinners and holidays were fabulous. Nellie never believed in sparing the rod and spoiling the child. She had rules.

Their children all attended school and church on Sunday. Box lunch auctions, ball as well as other games of all sorts were enjoyed on Sundays by their family while growing up.

They have eight grandchildren and fifteen great grandchildren. The list goes even further than that. Edith's daughter Helen is a graduate nurse. She has three children. All graduated from college. Florence has two girls and a son Richard. He served his country in all parts of the world for twenty eight years in the Air Force. A daughter, Karen, is a minister in Kansas. Another daughter raised purebred Arabian horses and is now retired. Emma's daughter, Virginia, graduated from the University of California at Los Angeles and is in the real estate business. Her son also graduated from college. Mary's daughter, Ruth, is retired and has four daughters. All graduated from school. John Clark has two children. A daughter, Nancy, who runs a nursing home and his son, Alvin, is

deceased. He left children. The great great grandchildren are all in the process of building a better life for themselves.

I believe Grandpa John and Grandma Nellie would be very proud of their family today and wouldn't Grandpa and Grandma have something great to talk about. *Submitted by Beulah B. Porter*

## DOROTHY DEGENHARDT

Dorothy Marcella Degenhardt was born 17 May 1910 on the west side of sec 9 on her grandfather's farm in Rice, Illinois. She was baptized 23 May 1910 at St. Mary Magdalen, performed by Reverend Anton Stern (distant relation).



Dorothy Marcella Degenhardt Tims Duffie.

Dorothy is the second of eight children to John — Degenhardt (1875-1969) and Ida Friedricka Wilhelmina Niederbracht (1891-1966). Her grandparents are Valentin Degenhardt (1850-1932) and Julia Mann Hess (1847-1926), and Friedrich Gottlieb Niederbracht (1834-1917) and Dorothea ?Harges/Krumweide? (1847-1905).

Dorothy attended Kellerman Public School that was across the road, then later went to St. Mary Magdalen School. Dorothy and siblings were required to speak German at home. She liked school but only attended through the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade because she had to earn money cleaning house. In 1926 the family moved to Coulterville. At about 17 years she traveled to Wynne to find work. She had Hess cousins there.

Dorothy first married James Clarence Tims 9 March 1929 in Wynne, Arkansas. Clarence was born 23 July 1905 in Jebbs, Arkansas, second of four sons to Nathan Eugene Tims (1880-1950) and Mattie Ann Mullens (1882-1960). Clarence made his career with the MO Pacific Railroad like his father. Clarence remarried three more times. He died 30 November 1958 in Little Rock, Arkansas and was buried in Memphis, Tennessee. They had two daughters: Marcella Josephine; and stillborn Hazel Jean (1930-31). They divorced about 1931.

Dorothy second married Charles Wilbert Duffie 25 February 1936 in Sparta, Illinois. Charles was born 9 August 1915 in Jetts, Alabama to Thomas Duffie (1880-1935) and Mary Ann Watt (1881-1959). Pete died 8 May 1973 in Pontiac and buried at Mt. Hope Cemetery. They moved around quite a bit looking for work, and ended up settling in Pontiac Michigan. She got a good paying job at Pontiac General Motors Plant. They had two children: Dean Floyd (November 1938-January 1939) died of yellow jaundice and Charlotte Pearl.. They divorced November 1954.

Dorothy was still troubled and depressed for several reasons and placed Charlotte into foster care. She soon placed herself into a mental hospital and resided there for more than a year. Dorothy died 14 July 1957 when she was struck by a

train. She was buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Pontiac Michigan. Dorothy was a devout Catholic and very handy with tools.

Marcella Tims was born 27 October 1929 in Wynne. Marcy married Thomas Rayner Cox 3 May 1952 in Pontiac. Tom was born 20 January 1926 in Pontiac, only child to Herbert—Cox (1882-1950) and Adeline Marian Thomas (1892-1971). Tom died 19 March 1907 in La Mesa, California. They had six children: Janet Valerie, Deborah Beth, Michele Therese, Brian Gregory, Rene' Annette, Kevin Mark.

Charlotte Duffie was born 26 November 1944 in Pontiac. Charlotte married Robert Frederick Boomer 20 June 1964 in Pontiac. Bob was born 6 February 1938 in Pontiac to Charles Robert Boomer and Dorothy Jane Kent. They had five children: Hollie Doreen, Shelly Lynn, Amy Dawn, Wendy LeeAnn, and Ryan Robert.

*Submitted by Marcella Tims Cox and her daughter Michele Cox Weiss*

## EDWARD V. DEGENHARDT

Edward Valentine Degenhardt was born 23 September 1913 at the family farm on the west side of sec 9 in Rice, Perry County, Illinois. He is the third of eight children to John—Degenhardt (1875-1969) and Ida Friedricka Wilhelmina Niederbracht (1891-1966). His grandparents are Valentin Degenhardt (1850-1932) and Julia Mann Hess (1847-1926), and Friedrich Gottlieb Niederbracht (1834-1917) and Dorothea A ?Harges/Krumweide? (1847-1905).



Edward Valentine Degenhardt and Marcella J. (Tims) Cox, niece.

Ed attended Kellerman School in his second grade and then attended St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School at Todd's Mill. In 1926, when he was 13 years old, the family moved to a Coulterville house.

Eddie became a devout Catholic like his other siblings and demonstrated this by getting two tattoos, one for each forearm. A cross was on his right forearm, and clasped hands with his initials EVD was on left forearm.

Ed enlisted into the US Navy in January 1942. As a GM3c after boot camp, his first and only duty assignment was out of Brooklyn, New York, attached to the USS Oklahoma. He was assigned to be a member of the Armed Guard Unit on board the Armed Merchant Vessel SS Oklahoma.

Ed traveled to many places and ports around the world; from Pearl Harbor through the Panama Canal to Algiers and Gibraltar at the mouth of the Mediterranean Sea; along west coast of Africa, stopping in Trinidad, Curacao and Aruba, before proceeding to Texas in the Gulf of Mexico.

In June 1944 before his last tour, Ed took his leave to see his family in southeastern Illinois and



his sister in Michigan. Pictures during this leave home were to be his last.

The US Oklahoma was sent to the Atlantic Ocean where it was torpedoed in the aft section on 28 March 1945. Ed served just over 3 years of his 6 year service when the ship sank taking his life along with 49 others. The letter sent to Ed's parents from his surviving Lieutenant stated that those in the aft section most "reasonably" died instantaneously "without suffering" and the only life boat launched rescued the 22 others who were amid ship at the time of the blast.

Ed was classified as "Missing In Action" until he was officially determined dead six months later. The document "Determination of Death," dated 14 September 1945, records "Edward Valentine Degenhart (sic), GM2c...to be dead. The date of death is hereby fixed at 28 March 1945. Death was due to enemy action." He was 31 years old.

Ed had a pleasant, likable personality. He was 5' 9" tall, had blue eyes with tight curly blond hair and a birth mark on the right side of his head.

*Submitted by Marcella Tims Cox, niece*

## JOHANNES JOSEPH BENEDICTUS CASPARIUS "CASPER" DEGENHARDT

Johannes Joseph Benedictus Casparius "Casper" Degenhardt was born to George Franz Degenhardt and Maria Theresa Schroeter on 10 April 1802 in Bickenriede, Germany. Casper was a farmer living in the small town of Bickenriede.



*St. Sebastian Church, Bickenriede, Germany.*

On 1 July 1822 he married Anna Martha Elizabeth Doering. They were married in St. Sebastian Catholic Church in Bickenriede, Germany. Martha was born in 1804.

Between 1823 and 1839 Casper and Martha had five children: Anna Marie, 15 July 1823; Christopher, 5 May 1826; Valentine, 25 January 1829; Joseph, 16 September 1835; and Margaretha, 11 February 1839. At the age of 48, on 8 August 1850, Casper died of cholera. After his death his family left Bickenriede, Germany and immigrated to the United States. By 1860 all of these children and their mother had arrived in the US and were living in Illinois.

Christopher Degenhardt was a member of St. Sabastien Church and was born in Bickenriede, Germany. In June of 1852 he came from Bremen to New Orleans on the ship Admiral Brommy. He was 26 years of age when he arrived in St. Louis and later to Monroe County, Illinois. The 28 September 1855, in Waterloo, Illinois, he married Elizabeth Saul, born 13 September 1834 in Bickenriede, Germany daughter of Joseph and Christina (Pheil) Saul. Christopher was a farmer and died 23 October 1877 at age 51. Christopher

and Elizabeth had 9 children: Christina, Valentine, Edward, Bertha, Josephine, Wilhelm, Otto, Edia, and John Joseph.

John Joseph was born 8 December 1874 and died 10 August 1926. He married Harriet Lillian Davis 30 September 1903 daughter of Joshua Thomas and Sarah Emaline (Leek) Davis and to this union five children were born: Mary Lucille, Joe Hartsel, Jerry Jerome, Vena Helen and Virginia.

Joe Hartsel was born 11 October 1906 and died 2 May 1987. The 4 October 1930 he married Ruth Nedra Danbury and to this union two children were born: Donald Dean, 1 June 1931; and Derrell Gene 1 June 1933. Joe Hartsel was a sign painter by trade.

Derrell Gene married Shirley Ann Knight 30 May 1953. Shirley was the daughter of Fred and Alma Viola (Scarborough) Knight born 24 March 1935. To this union there children were born: Diana Sue 12 June 1954; Cathryn Elaine 7 January 1957; and Stephen Wayne 5 November 1964.

Diana married Freddie Conner and Rick Porter and has two sons: Thad, 19 September 1972; and Justin 17 March 1977. Cathryn married John Wunder 17 October 1881, the son of John Gustan and Gladys Agnes (Kroog) Wunder, have four children: John Adam, 25 March 1984; Kurt Dennis 20 February 1986; Benjamin James 8 July 1989; and Abigail Renee, 1 September 1992.

Stephen married Donna Jean Waite 18 September 1993 daughter of Robert Otis and Roberta Esther (Gummow) Waite. *Submitted by Shirley Knight Degenhardt*

## DEGENHARDT-MANN

Johannes Valentin Degenhardt was born 1806 in Prussia. He had lost both parents before he became 10 years old. He married Maria Elisabeth Pfeil on 26 November 1827. Maria was born 1808 in Prussia, daughter of Johannes Pfeil and Maria Noering.

The couple immigrated in 1844 to Smithton, Illinois with their two surviving children: Joseph and Genoeva. There they settled to farm and raise their family. The last two children, Leans and Valentine, were born in St. Clair County. This family is the origin of one of the two major Degenhardt lines in southeastern Illinois. Valentin died 1882 and Maria's death is unknown.

Their son Valentine was born 1850. He married Julia Mann in 1873. Julia was born 1847, daughter of William Christian Mann and Susanna Scheutz. They lived and farmed in Red Bud for a time before moving to Perry County and establishing a permanent home in Rice. The couple had seven children between 1873 and 1888: Valentine Christian, John, Josephine, Susan, Julia Ann, Lena, Henry.

This updates the 1988 Perry County, Illinois edition. Descendants of Valentine Christian are featured in 1988. Two of John's children are featured in this edition. The ancestors and descendants of Johannes Valentin, including major related surnames, will be published in a 1998 Degenhardt Family history in a joint effort with the other Degenhardt line of southern Illinois.

Two of their children (Valentine C and Susan) married two Stern siblings; two children (John and Lena) married two Niederbracht siblings; two died young (Josephine and Henry); and one (Julia) never married. Not surprising the children made the livelihood farming, following in the footsteps of their father and grandfather.

Valentine died 1932 and Julie died 1926. They share a marker at St. Mary Magdalen Catholic Cemetery n Todd's Mill. *Submitted by Michele Cox Weiss (of Albuquerque, New Mexico) and Marcella Tims Cox (of San Diego, California)*

## DEGNATH-KOMPA

Christopher Dygnath - born 1781, was married when he was 30 years old on 15 April 1811 to Lehna Olbrysch, a 21 year old Catholic in the Evangelical Church in Friedrichshof. According to Emil Dignath this church and all its records were destroyed in World War II. Christopher was a guard under Frederick William III. Frederick William III gave Christopher land in Prussia when he was pensioned from the army and he became a farmer. According to Emil Dignath, Christopher lost his land due to his drinking and gambling.

Adam Dygnath, son of Christopher and Lehna, was born 25 March 1834 at Liebenberg and baptized in the church at Friedrichshof on 30 March 1834. Adam Dygnath was 22 years old when he married Catherine Parzich who was 19 years old. They were married 24 August 1856 in the church at Friedrichshof. Catherine Parzich was the daughter of a school teacher. Adam and Catherine had four children: William, Ludwig, Caroline and Marie. Adam was a shoemaker by trade.

William Dignath was born 7 April 1865 at Ludenberg, Germany and died 11 May 1931 at Du Quoin, Illinois. William married Eva Kompa in Essen, Germany in 1889. William was 24 years old and Eva was 21 years old. They came to America in 1893. Eva was born 26 August 1868 in Essen, Germany and her father's name was Karl Kompa.

This marriage produced the following children: Christopher, still born; Marie, born 9 May 1909, died 30 April 1933; John Arthur, died when he was three weeks old; Hermia, born in Germany - buried at sea; Caroline, born in Germany - buried at sea; Elizabeth, born 30 October 1893, Perry County, died 2 June 1977; William, died when he was 36 years old - married Lula Rothchild; August, died when he was 3 years old; Bertha, died when she was 5 years old; Katherine, born 28 February 1901 and married Martin Pflanz and died 17 January 1998.

Ludwig Dignath had two sons: Emil and Ludwig. Emil came to America and lived with his aunt and uncle Gotlieb and Marie Mucha. Ludwig stayed in Germany and worked for the railroad system. Ludwig had to trace the family tree during Hitler's reign to prove there was no Jewish blood in his veins to be able to keep his job. That's why this history exists.

## DEMPSEY-KELLER

Pearl Leola Keller Dempsey was born 26 May 1891 to Phillip and Mary (Rice) Keller at what was known as Round Prairie, west of Tamaroa, Illinois. Leonard Van Dempsey was born 4 May 1888 to William and Sabra (Hutchings) Dempsey in Rice, Illinois.

Leonard and Pearl married in 1909. Leonard played accordion and was a good mechanic, and Pearl played organ and loved to dance. They lived and worked on the family farm until about 1931, when they sold it. In '34 they moved to Pinckneyville where he worked at the No. 5 Mine until he passed away in 1943. After that, Pearl



and her youngest daughter moved closer to the main part of town where they both found work. Pearl was highly sought after as a companion for the elderly, as she was well liked and well known for her kindness and gentleness. She was still turning down jobs when she needed help herself. She passed away in Pinckneyville on 28 March 1989 at the age of 97.



*Pearl (Keller) and Leonard Dempsey.*

Leonard and Pearl had four children: Mae, who married Robert Millikin; Georgia Ellice, who died at fifteen months; Enloe, who married Grace Vancil; and Irene, who married Albert Fontana. They also raised Vilas Turner, their nephew, whose mother had passed away at an early age.

The family of Phillip Keller, Pearl's father, emigrated from Germany in the 1800's and his family spoke the German language when they came to visit Phillip. He worked as a farmer all of his life in the Round Prairie area. Phillip wed Mary Rice after his first wife, Mary Hutchings died at a young age. (Phillip and Mary Hutchings Keller were parents of three children: John, William and Cora). Phillip and Mary Rice Keller had seven more children: Phillip, who married Winnie McKinstry; Walter, who married Mary Huth; Harry, who married Lydia; Myrtle, who married Harve Benedict; Verna, who married Phillip Williamson; Pearl and Willard, who married Ethel Smyth.

William and Sabra (Hutchings) Dempsey, Leonard's parents has seven children: John, who married Clara Hutchings; Emma, who died young; Dora, who married William Campbell; Mollie, who married John Holman; Willie, who married Minta Keene; Effie, who married Charles Turner; and Leonard, who married Pearl. The family home where Leonard and Pearl lived for many years was originally built by William Dempsey's father, Arthur, who emigrated from Ireland in the mid 1800's. He and his wife, Mary Sarah, who came from Scotland, homesteaded in Washington, County about 1/2 mile from the Perry County Line near the Concord Church.

## DINKINS-VANDIVER

The Dinkins family moved to Du Quoin on 28 November 1968 to establish a congregation of the Church of Christ in Perry County. Before the move, Wayne was the minister of the Union Hill Church of Christ near Hardin, Kentucky.

Wayne Ulysses Dinkins was born 8 June 1933 in St. Louis, Missouri to Ulysses S. and Goldia Irene (Smith) Dinkins. He is the fourth of seven children.

Margie Joyce (Vandiver) Dinkins was born 27 December 1935 in Leachville, Arkansas to Homer William and Nova Blanche (Holt) Vandiver. She is the oldest of four children.

Wayne and Joyce graduated from Clarkton High School, Clarkton, Missouri. Wayne in 1951 and Joyce in 1953. Wayne served in the Army from May 1953 to February 1955. He attended college at Freed-Hardeman University, Henderson, Tennessee, Harding University, Searcy, Arkansas and received his BS Degree from Murray State University, Murray, Kentucky in 1959.



*Wayne and Joyce Dinkins.*

The couple were married 12 April 1953. They have three children: Deborah Joyce (born 23 January 1955); Stephen Wayne (born 25 April 1957); and Anna Darlene (born 27 August 1964). All three children graduated from Du Quoin High School with honors, Deborah in 1973, Stephen in 1975 and Anna in 1982.

The Dinkins opened Dinkins of Du Quoin Photography Studio in 1969 at 124 East Cole Street. Wayne retired from photography in 1994, but continues his work as a minister. In 1981 Joyce was employed by the USPS as a Rural Letter Carrier in Du Quoin. She was appointed Postmaster at Woodlawn, Illinois in July 1987 and served there until February 1993 when she was appointed Postmaster at Tamaroa, Illinois where she presently continues to serve as postmaster. *Submitted by Wayne and Joyce Dinkins*

## DIXON-KELLY

Clay Russell Dixon was born 31 December 1960 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. He was the third child of Curtis Earl Dixon born Bates County, Missouri 5 February 1926 died 20 December 1981 in Perry County, Illinois and Myrtle Irene Pursell born 28 January 1928 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Clay has one sister, Sue Ellen Dixon born 16 April 1954 of Pinckneyville; and two brothers Todd Alan Dixon born 8 April 1957, and Kent Douglas Dixon born 3 April 1963.



*Clay, Seth, Cory, Emily and Anita Dixon.*

Clay's maternal grandparents were Roy Arkell Pursell (19 December 1899 - 13 January 1970) and Carrie Gladys Williamson (6 August 1905 - 25 September 1993) of Pinckneyville, Illi-

nois. Paternal grandparents were Curtis Edward Dixon (15 February 1882 Carbondale - 28 March 1945 Robbs, Illinois) and Hazel Louella Carr (6 September 1897 Eagle Grove, Iowa - 5 January 1994 in Peoria, Illinois).

Clay attended both grade school and high school in Du Quoin. In high school, he took special interest in his building trades class and upon graduation started working as an apprentice electrician. He enjoys fishing, hunting, camping and swimming and was active in 4-H and the youth groups at the First Christian Church where he was a member.

Anita June Kelly was born 17 September 1962 in Pinckneyville, the youngest child of Paul John Kelly born 29 June 1923 Perry County and Betty June Morgenthaler born 18 July 1926 in Perry County. Anita has one sister Dottie Rose Tackett born 2 July 1944 of Murphysboro and one brother Jerry Paul Kelly born 17 September 1950 of rural Pinckneyville. Anita's maternal grandparents were Phillip Richard Morgenthaler (12 February 1896 - 1964) and Dotha Belle Queen (8 January 1897 - 1977). Paternal grandparents were Palmer J. Kelly (1890 - 1940) and Rose Marie Giacomo (1896 - 1965) all of Perry County, Illinois.

Anita attended 212 Community Consolidated School and Pinckneyville Community High School. While in high school she was a student helper in the nurse's office. In the summer she worked at Lake Sallateeska in the kitchen. Soon after graduation she started working at Marshall Browning Hospital as a Ward Clerk. While at home she liked traveling with her family. She likes sewing, cooking and loves shopping and was an active member and pianist in the Concord Baptist Church.

Clay and Anita first met at a party for a friend but did not date until a year later. They were married 10 April 1981 at the chapel at Lake Sallateeska, Baptist Church Camp north of Pinckneyville. They lived in Du Quoin for a year before Clay built their home on the northeast corner of the Paul Kelly farm north of Pinckneyville. They have two sons and a daughter. Seth Clayton Dixon born 11 July 1983 is a freshman in high school and interested in chemistry, marching and jazz band; Cory Jake Dixon was born 4 September 1987 and loves reading, swimming, and sports especially baseball; and Emily Ariel Dixon born 27 March 1990 and enjoys tumbling, cooking and loves her dogs and cats. Her brothers named her after the Little Mermaid.

## DIXON-PURSELL

Curtis Earl Dixon (born 5 February 1926, Bates County, Missouri - died 20 December 1981) was the youngest child in the family of Curtis Edward Dixon (born 15 February 1882 Carbondale, Illinois - died 28 March 1945 Robbs, Illinois) and Hazel Louella Carr Dixon (born 6 September 1897 in Eagle Grove, Iowa died 5 January 1994).

The family moved to Illinois where Curt attended school in Robbs, and his senior year of high school in Golconda. In the spring of 1943, before graduation ceremonies, Curt enlisted in the Army and was assigned to the 112<sup>th</sup> Cavalry and served in the Pacific area. He was on the ship docked next to the Missouri when the peace treaty with Japan was signed. While in Japan, he served in



the Miyagi Military Government sometimes traveling with an interpreter to listen to complaints about the teachings in a church or school. Curt became very ill with malaria and was given a medical discharge.



*Sue Ellen, Irene, Kent, Curt, Clay and Todd Dixon.*

Curt's father died while he was in service. His mother had married William Aud Lockeby and moved to Du Quoin. When Curt was discharged he came to Du Quoin. In January of 1951, he was appointed as a rural mail carrier for R R #3 from the Du Quoin Post Office and later transferring to R R #1. He carried rural mail for 31 years.

Curt was and Irene is a member of the Du Quoin First Christian Church, where Curt served as Congregational Chairman; Sunday School Teacher, trustee, elder, and deacon. Irene served as Bible School and Sunday School teacher, Deaconess, and in 1998 as Chairman of the Elders and active in the women's fellowship. They served as 1981 President of A-WA-WE-GO Chapter of National Campers and Hikers Association and 1967 Worthy Matron and Worthy Patron of Du Quoin Masonic Lodge Chapter #395, Order of the Eastern Star. For many years, Curt was a Boy Scout Leader. He was a member of Du Quoin Masonic Lodge #234, AF&AM (raised 30 March 1961), Royal Arch Reynolds Chapter #75 Carbondale, Council #49 Murphysboro, Beauseant Commandery #86 Carbondale, Knight of York Cross of Honor Illinois Priory #11. Curt was a Grand Lecturer, Grand Lodge Instructor, District Deputy, and Past Master. Also, a member of V.F.W. Post #513 and Rural Letter Carriers Association.

Irene Pursell (born 28 January 1928) was born at 212 West Grand Avenue, Pinckneyville, the daughter of Arkell Pursell (born 19 December 1899 in Coulterville died 13 January 1970) and Carrie G. (Williamson) Pursell (born 6 August 1905). Irene attended both grade and high school in Pinckneyville. The family moved to a farm one mile south of town in the summer of 1942. She started College at S.I.N.U. in the fall of 1945, completing work on her B.S. in education degree in March of 1952. Irene taught Lower Arm School in 1947-1948 and from September 1948 through September 1950 served as first full-time youth advisor for 4-H and Rural Youth in Washington County, Illinois. She later taught E.M.H. classes at West Park and Wheatley Schools, kindergarten class at Lincoln School and did substitute teaching. In the fall of 1967 she decided to open a private nursery school at home, named "Park-A-Tot Nursery School." It proved to be very successful adventure having retired at the end of the school year in 1997. Irene is active in Girls Friday Unit of H.E.A., starting a new year on the County H.E.A. Board in 1998; Du Quoin Chapter #395

Order of the Eastern Star serving as Treasurer, A-WA-WE-GO Campers, Perry County Historical Society, and Jail Museum Committee.

Curt carried mail for Louise Rudloff, who was a friend of Irene's. Louise insisted they should meet and talk until they told her "Oh well, I can stand almost anything for one night." Curt and Irene married 8 March 1952 and moved into an apartment at 15 1/2 N. Division. In 1963, after a few years and a couple of moves, they purchased the Frank Selement home at 620 E Main Street, Du Quoin.

They are the parents of four children: Sue Ellen Dixon (born 16 April 1954 in Du Quoin); Todd Alan Dixon (born 8 April 1957 in Du Quoin); Clay Russell Dixon (born 31 December 1960 in Du Quoin) married 10 April 1981 to Anita June Kelly (born 17 September 1962). They have three children: Seth Clayton, Cory Jake, and Emily Ariel; and Kent Douglas Dixon (born 3 April 1963 in Du Quoin).

## DOERFLEIN-ROETHE

Amalia Roethe born 27 October 1868 at Pinckneyville, Illinois a daughter of Johann Friedrich and Wilhelmina (Schmidt) Roethe was married 25 September 1890 at Perry County, Illinois to John Doerflein born 18 October 1865 at Du Quoin, Illinois the son of Johannes and Christine (Muench?) Doerflein. They had four children: Lena Elisabeth, Katharina Wilhelmine, Friedrich Johannes Wilhelm, and Alvine Augusta Louise. Amalia died 16 April 1942 at Du Quoin, Illinois and John died 3 March 1907. Both are buried in the Sutter Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois. (see ROETHE-SCHMIDT)

Lena E. Doerflein born 20 December 1892 at Du Quoin was 1<sup>st</sup> married to Marvin Boyd. She 2<sup>nd</sup> married 15 November 1916 at Du Quoin, Illinois to Charles F. Hagemeister born 9 August 1894 at Du Quoin, Illinois a son of August and Margarethe (Sommers) Hagemeister. Charles and Lena had one son: Donald Fredrick. Lena died 18 September 1954 at St. Louis, Missouri and Charles died 22 January 1963 at St. Louis, Missouri. Both are buried in Sunset Park, St. Louis, Missouri.

Donald F. Hagemeister born 3 November 1934 at St. Louis, Missouri was married 15 May 1954 at St. Louis, Missouri to Wilma Jo "Billie" Rammelsburg born 10 October 1935 at St. Louis, Missouri a daughter of Richard and Flavia (Goetz) Rammelsburg. Donald F. and Billie had two sons: Mark, born 22 January 1959; and Grant born 13 August 1967 both at St. Louis, Missouri.

Katharina W. Doerflein born 18 December 1895 in Perry County, Illinois was 1<sup>st</sup> married 18 July 1915 at Du Quoin, Illinois to Friedrich Schmidt born 6 May 1894. Katharina W. was 2<sup>nd</sup> married to James Caperton and 3<sup>rd</sup> married to Harold Tindall. There were no children from any of these marriages.

Friedrich J. W. Doerflein born 11 January 1900 at Du Quoin, Illinois was married 20 May 1923 at Du Quoin, Illinois to Deanna Rae born 6 March 1899 at Mulkeytown, Illinois a daughter of William E. and Julia Anne (Plumley) Rae. Friedrich and Deanna Doerflein had one daughter: Clara Jenevieve "Geneva". Deanna died 24 January 1965 at Du Quoin, Illinois.

Geneva Doerflein born 14 February 1924 at Du Quoin, Illinois was married 11 December 1944 in Arkansas to Joe Ferguson born 17 July 1921 at

Du Quoin, Illinois, a son of Tom Ferguson. Joe and Geneva Ferguson had three children: Randy, born 2 September 1950; Ramona Ann, born 13 January 1953; and Joyce, born 25 January 1955 all at Du Quoin, Illinois.

Friedrich J. Doerflein was 2<sup>nd</sup> married at Sparta, Illinois to Ellen Lee born in 1896. Ellen died 5 July 1983 and is buried in Caledonia Cemetery, Sparta, Illinois.

Alvine A. Doerflein born 18 October 1906 at Du Quoin, Illinois married Fred Linenbrink. They had two children: Alvin Segel and Fred Jr. Alvin died in October 1942 and is buried in St. Louis, Missouri.

John and Amalia Doerflein's children were all baptized and confirmed at the Evangelical Church of Du Quoin. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## CARROLL LOGAN DOERNER

Carroll Logan Doerner was born 6 September 1935 in Norris City, Illinois. The son of Leland Sylvester and Irene (Rodgers) Doerner, he had one brother, Cyril Doerner and two sisters, Yvonne Cox and Ellen Funkhouser. He passed away unexpectedly on 27 August 1994 in East Lansing, Michigan. At the time of his death, he was looking forward to his retirement and to doing carpentry projects with his brother. He was elected as a Du Quoin Democrat Precinct Committee chairperson in 1994 and was getting involved in that activity.



*L to R: Carroll Doerner, Carlton Doerner and Sarah Doerner.*

Carroll, a varsity basketball player and a member of the First Methodist Church, graduated from Norris City High School in 1953. He graduated from SIU-Carbondale with a B.S. in Education (Industrial Arts and Math) in 1957, an M.S. in Education (Occupational Education Administration) in 1975 and had completed all course Supervision of Occupational Educational Programs.

Carroll and Sarah Marandia Lowery, daughter of Charles Wilburn and Anna Bell (Turner) Lowery of Golconda, Illinois, were married 3 July 1966 at the First Baptist Church in Golconda. They met at an Illinois Education Association Convention in Chicago in 1964 to which they were delegates. Their son, Carlton James Doerner, was born 8 March 1974.

In June 1903, Carroll retired after teaching 36 years in Illinois. He began teaching in 1957 at Enfield High School in Math and Industrial Arts. He taught at LaMoille High School (1958-66) in Math and Industrial Arts and coached football, basketball and track. Pope County High School, Golconda (1966-67) in Math and coached varsity basketball; Rantoul Jr. High School (1967-68) in



Math, and Mendota High School (1968-70\_ in Industrial Arts and coached freshman football.

He taught 23 years at Du Quoin High School from 1970 until his 1993 retirement. He taught Industrial Arts, Math was Vocational Director and Cooperative Education Coordinator. From 1992 he coached the DHS Jayvee football team for 21 years, with a winning record of 105-59. His last sophomore team, Class of '95 had a perfect 8-0 year as conference champs.

In a memorial, the 1995 DHS Yearbook, "The Flashlight" states, "Coach Doerner was dedicated to his students and colleagues at DHS, to his community and his family. He was always there when someone needed help or attention. He was proud of the woodworking efforts of his students, especially the display cases they built for the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds Exhibition Hall, and was proud of the Class of '92, which he sponsored. Coach Doerner will be remembered by his students and friends as a "true gentleman."

Carroll was active in numerous educational civic organizations. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge (LaMoille, Illinois) 1963 - 1994; Ainad Shrine Temple (East St. Louis, Illinois) 1970 - 1994 (Scholarship Committee, Circus Art Poster Coordinator in Du Quoin 1985-87); Perry County Shrine Club 1970-1994 (Chairman, Parade Committee 1972-76, Secretary 1977, Vice-President 1978, President 1979); Du Quoin Optimist Club Board of Directors 1973-74; Golconda Rotary Club 1966-67; Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks (Mendota, Illinois) 1964-75, (Du Quoin, Illinois) 1976-1994.

He was a member of the Athletic Boosters Club (Mendota) 1968-70 and (Du Quoin) 1970-1993. He belonged to the Illinois Coaches Association 1958-1994, and the Southern Illinois coaches Association 1970-1993.

He held memberships in Illinois Vocational Association 1960-1994; Southern Illinois Council of Occupational Leaders 1975-1994; Illinois Council and National Council of Local Administrators 1975-1994; the Illinois Cooperative Vocational Education Coordinators Association 1970-1994; the National Education Association 1957-1994 (NEA Convention Delegate in 1974) (IEA Convention Delegate 1960-65); Du Quoin Education Association 1970-1993 (President, 1973-74, Membership Chairman, 1974-79); Illinois Valley Division of IEA 1958-66 (Chairman North-east Section Bureau County, 1960-65).

Carroll served on the OSPI Evaluation Teams for Illinois High School Evaluation and Recognition 1972-75; North Central Evaluation Teams, 1973-74, 1976, 1978; DAVTE Phase Evaluation Teams 1974-80; Du Quoin Curriculum Committee on Gifted Programs 1972-73, and was Chairman, Curriculum Committee for Evaluation of Vocational and Career Education, Du Quoin District #300, 1974-75.

A scholarship-plaque award, the "Coach Carroll L. Doerner Memorial Award" was established in 1998 from donations from friends, fellow teachers, coaches from DHS, LaMoille, Mendota, former students and family. The first award was presented to DHS senior, Jeff Green at the Du Quoin Elks' All-Sports Banquet 27 May 1998. The award will go each year to a graduating senior boy, earning a varsity football letter, who exemplifies the dedication and hardwork that Coach Doerner represented and for which he commended his players.

Carlton James Doerner graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1992. As a DHS student, he excelled in academics, athletics and in extra-curricular activities.

In extra-curricular activities, Carlton belonged to the National Honor Society, Spanish Club (Cancun Trip - Freshman, Secretary - Junior, Vice-President - Senior); Science Club, Pep Club Media Club (Treasurer - Junior), Freshman and Junior Class Treasurer, Prom Committee, Prom Master of Ceremonies, '92 Senior Class President, FBLA (3<sup>rd</sup> in State in Job Interview), Photography Club, Hey Hey Club (President - Senior), Jazz Honor Band, FHA (Secretary, FHA Cookoff contest First Place, Sweetheart Dance Junior Prince and Senior King Candidate). Carlton participated on the DHS publications' staffs on the "Magnavox" (school newspaper) as Junior Co-Editor and Senior Editor-in-Chief and served as Co-editor of the '92 school yearbook "The Flashlight." Carlton received the "Magnavox Award for Coach Whitey Miler '92 Football Line-man of the Year," and the "1992 Magnavox Outstanding Student Award." He earned EIHSFA "Best Writing Awards" 1990-92, and SISPA "Best Sports writing and Best Sports Column Awards" 1989-92, and "Best Photography Award" 1990-91. He was named to the Quill and Scroll International Honor Society for journalists.

In academics, Carlton was an Illinois State Scholar, Scholarship Key Winner 1989-92, Olympiad Team (1990 - 1<sup>st</sup>, 1991 - 5<sup>th</sup>, 1992 - 5<sup>th</sup>), honor and High Honor Roll 1989-92, National Merit English Award, SIU Challenge to Excellence Camp, 1990-91, SIU Foreign Language Scholar Bowl.

Special recognition included "Senior Favorite "Most Likely to Succeed," "1990 DHS Star Student of the Month," "1991 Taking the Lead Awards," "1992 Expect the Best Awards," "Who's Who in American High School Students, 1989-92," Rotary Club Scholarship Winner.

In athletics, Carlton was on the Freshman Football Team (1989 Cap't.), JV Football Team (1989, 1990 (Cap't), Varsity Football Team (1989-91)-(1991 First Team SWEC All-Conference Offense, Illinois State Football Semi-Finals), East-West Shrine All-Star Game 1992, SWEC Scholar Athlete 1989-92, William G. Theobald '92 Scholar Athlete of the Year, Track 1989-92.

Carlton worked as a photographer and sports reporter for the Du Quoin Evening Call from 1990-91 and for A.C.D. Computers, East Lansing, Michigan in 1998. He attended Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois from 1992-93 where he was a member of the football team and manager of the hockey team. He transferred to Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan and earned a B.A. in Business Management (Supply chain) in '98.

Special achievements include: John A. Logan College Deans List, Summer Terms 1993-96; 1994 Travel Study in Washington, D.C.. 1996 Commissioned as Honorable Kentucky Colonel, 1997 National Dean's List Publication, 1997 Alpha Kappa Psi "Brooklyn Four Award" (Best Representation of Founders' Ideas).

Carlton was active in the MSU Alpha Kappa Psi "Brooklyn Four Award" (Best Representation of Founders' Ideas).

Carlton was active in the MSU Alpha Kappa Psi (professional business fraternity). From 1996-

98 he served on the Social Committee, Regional Relations Committee, as Chairperson of the Rush Committee and Faculty Committee, Executive Board Officer, Leadership Attendee, Interfraternity Council Representative."

He became a Master Mason (AF & AM May Lodge #718), Norris City, Illinois in 1997 and a member of the Scottish Rites in 1998.

## SARAH (LOWERY) DOERNER

Sarah Marandia (Lowery) Doerner was born in Rosiclaire, Illinois to Charles Wilburn and Anna Bell (Turner) Lowery. At age five, her family moved to Golconda, Illinois where her father worked for the I.C. Railroad. She has two brothers and a sister, James Lowery and Grethel Warren (Golconda) and Charles Lowery (Morganfield, Kentucky). She belongs to the Golconda First Baptist Church.

Sarah graduated from Golconda Grade School in 1951 as valedictorian and received the "American Legion Award." She graduated from Pope County High School (Golconda) as valedictorian, President of the Student Council and yearbook editor in 1955.

She received a B.S. in Education in 1958 from SIU-C, majoring in Social Studies and minoring in English and Library Science and a M.S. in Education in 1971 in Instructional Materials (Library Science/Educational Media). She has taken post-graduate classes in Gifted Education and Geography from SIU-C and Journalism from Eastern Illinois University, Charleston.

Sarah began her 37 year teaching career in Illinois at Metropolis High School (1958-59) as a Social Studies/English teacher. She also taught at Pope County High School (Golconda) (1959-65) in Math, English and as Librarian; Pope County District #1 (1965-68) Unit Librarian/Audiovisual Director; Mendota High School (1968-70) College Preparatory English IV/Junior Accelerated English III; Marissa High School (1971-75) Library/Media Specialist and Journalism/Mass Media teacher.

Until her retirement in August 1996, Sarah taught for 21 years in Du Quoin District #300 beginning in 1975 in the following areas: (1975-82) Wheatley/Lincoln/McKinley Schools Librarian and Gifted Program (grades 1-4); (1982-92) Ward School 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade English and 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Social Studies and Gifted Program; (1992-96) Ward School Library/Media Specialist (grades 4-8). She also taught Journalism at Du Quoin High School from 1981-82 and 1987-96.

Active as an extra-curricular coach and adviser, she sponsored the following high school activities: Cheerleading Coach (1959-68) Pope County, (1968-70) Mendota, (1972-75) Marissa; (1995-96) Du Quoin. School Newspaper: (1961-68) Pope County (Pirata Press), (1972-75) Marissa (The Meteor), (1981-1996) Du Quoin (The Magnavox). School Yearbook: (1986-95) Du Quoin (The Flashlight). Creative Writing Magazine: (1965-68) Pope County, (1973-75) Marissa. Quill and Scroll Society Chapters: (1972-75) Marissa, (1981-96) Du Quoin. Library/Media/Audiovisual Clubs: (1961-68) Pope County, (1971-75) Marissa, (1992-96) Ward School (Du Quoin). Class Sponsor: Pope County, (1988-92) Assistant Class Sponsor, Du Quoin. Future Editors Club: (1994-96) Du Quoin.

During her college and teaching career, Sarah received many honors an awards including:



(1955-58) Illinois State Teachers Scholarship. (1955) Illinois PTA Golden Jubilee Scholarship. (1958) SIU-C Honors Day Convocation, Graduated Cum Laude. (1956-58, 1971) Awarded membership in the following honorary fraternities at SIU-C: (1956) Alpha Lambda Delta, (1957) Kappa Delta Pi, (1958) Pi Lambda Theta, (1971) Phi Kappa Phi. (1961-68, 1971-75) Supervised Title I, II, and III programs at Pope County and Marissa High Schools. (1965) NDEA Summer Institute for School Librarians at U. of I. (1966) Received \$65,000 Title I grant for school library center proposal at Pope County High School. (1970) U. S. Cheerleading Foundation "Outstanding Cheerleader Adviser." (1972) "Leader of American Secondary Education." (1972-74, 1980-82) Illinois representative to the U.S. Cheerleading Association. (1974) Moninee finalist in the "Illinois Teacher of the Year Award." (1975-96) IEA, NEA. (1979-80, 1980-81) Awarded 2 grants of \$500 each from Illinois State Board of Education, DAVTE, for project written for Wheatley School Library for Phase I, II of Clear (Career Launching by Exploration, Awareness and Resources). (1980) Published articles in IAME News for You, Bolume 24, No. 2, 3, 4, Volume 25, No. 1). (1986) Southern Illinois School Press Association "Newspaper Adviser of the Year Award." (1988) Illinois Geography Fellowship Award Recipient. (1996, 1998) "Who's Who Among America's Teachers." (1998-99) Phi Kappa Phi, SIU-C Board of Directors.

During her teaching career, Sarah has participated in the following groups as a member and in various leadership roles. (1960) IL Congress of PTA District Scholarship Chairman. (1965) Developed centralized elementary media center at Pope County Grade School. (1965-68) Southern Division delegate to IEA state convention. (1967-68) President Pope County Teachers Association (Vice-Pres. 1966-67). (1970-Life) SIU-C Alumni Association. (1972-75) IOE Recognition and Evaluation Team for Media Services in Illinois. (1973) IASL annual Conference Program and speaker "Students View Media Program Effectiveness." (1973-74) IASL Secretary and Board of Directors. (1974-75) Worked on plans for New Marissa Jr/Sr. High School media center facilities for Open School Concept. (1973-74) Marissa BPW Club. (1974-77) IASL chairperson of Illinois Student Librarians Advisory Committee. (1975-98) Illinois Library Association (Librarian Citation Committee 1975-76, Ex. Board 1980-81). (1976-78) IASL/IAME Region 7 Director. (1975-77) IASL News for You Photographer and Reporter. (1976-78) Illinois State Textbook Advisory Committee. (1977) Library Objective Setting Workshop, Springfield. (1979-82) Illinois State Media and Library Advisory Committee. (1973-1998) Illinois Association of School Librarians, Illinois Association for Media in Education, Illinois School Library Media Association. (1979-80) Illinois Association for Media in Education President, (President-Elect. 1978-79). (1978-80) Du Quoin business and Professional Women's Club President, (1980) Published in ILLINOIS LIBRARIES, volume 62, No. 20 article "CLEAR." (1982-83) Southern Illinois District #16 BPW Chairperson. (1987-88) Du Quoin education Association President and IEA Delegate, (DEA chief Negotiator 1987-89). (1988-Life) Illinois Journalism Education Association (Executive Board 1990-2000). (1989-96) Executive

Board of Southern Illinois School Press Association. (1990-99) Friends of the Du Quoin Public Library, (President 1998-99). (1994-96) Du Quoin District #300 Technology Committee, Goals 2000 Committee. (1997-99) Marshall Browning Hospital Auxiliary, Du Quoin Tourism Board (Secretary, 1998-99). (1998) Keyes Park Equipment Committee.

## DOMINICK-DIGNATH

Caroline Dignath married Carl Dominick in Germany. Carl was the first miner killed in Foster mine. Caroline was born in Germany in 1861. Caroline and Carl had three children born in Germany: Fritz, August, and Augusta. (Eve Kompa Dignath told her daughter Katherine Pflanz that Caroline had had three children out of wedlock in Germany and had given them up for adoption. This was confirmed by Mari Dignath Mucha to Katherine.) In the fall of 1907, Katherine Dignath was playing in the yard when she saw a dray coming with people following it. She ran into the house to tell her mother that some gypsies were coming. Her mother looked out and cried for joy that those weren't gypsies - they were the relatives from Germany: Caroline and Carl Dominick with Fritz, August and Augusta; and Marie Mucha with Charles, Fred, Marie and Augusta. They had arrived on the 4 pm train and the dray driver had taken them to St. Johns to a man named Ignatz. He finally figured out where they wanted to go and directed the dray driver to the William Dignath home. The dray was carrying a large gray trunk with all of their belongings. After Carl Dominick got killed in the Foster mine, Caroline took up with a fellow by the name of Stanly Shenkoviak? But they evidently never married. *Submitted by Eric Pflanz*

## DONAHUE-NAGEL

Cara Lee Nagel was born 04 September 1966 in Cincinnati, Ohio, daughter of Alan Keith and Patricia Ann Long Nagel. Cara's grandmother, Twila Mae Jackson Nagel, was born 12 July 1919 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.



*Cara Lee Nagel Donahue, Timothy Patrick Donahue, and baby Jacob Alan Donahue.*



*Timothy Patrick II and Jacob Alan Donahue.*

Cara married Timothy Patrick Donahue on 24 October 1992 in Indianapolis, Indiana, son of Patrick and Sandra Wickersham Donahue. Tim was born on 26 October 1961 in Lafayette, Indiana. A son, Jacob Alan Donahue, was born to Cara and Tim on 03 February 1998 in Indianapolis, Indiana. Cara Nagel Donahue has a stepson, Timothy Patrick Donahue II, born 21 August 1983 in Sylvania, Ohio. Tim works as a car manager. Cara is a mortgage processor.

## MIKE DOOLEY

Mike Dooley was born 18 July 1887 in Veliki Poganac, Croatia, son of Nikola and Mila Dulikravic, and named Mihail. Nikola (1865-1917) and Mila (1864-1930) were married 6 November 1883. Mike had a number of siblings but all died in infancy except brothers Joe and Sam who were killed in a war with Russia.

At the age of 18, Mike emigrated from Croatia, sailed from Liverpool, England aboard the S.S. Cedric on 14 March 1906, and arrived at the Port of New York (Ellis Island) 24 March. He had \$20 in his possession and the ship's manifest listed his destination "Clarksburg, Richmond, Virginia." It is probable he had a mining job there. An Illinois Miners Examining Board Certificate indicates he had nine years experience when issued March 1916. It is believed he first worked at the West Mines in Johnston City, Illinois, then the Majestic Mine in Old Du Quoin.

Fleta Coffel was born 30 May 1899 in Du Quoin, Illinois, eldest daughter of George and Sarah (Branum) Coffel. She attended the Sacred Heart and John B. Ward schools.

Fleta first met Mike at a party at Anna Moyer's home in Old Du Quoin. Their second meeting was the result of matchmaking by friends, each being invited separately to help peel apples for apple butter. They courted by horse and buggy about six to eight months before marrying 15 February 1916.

Mike once ran an open-air theater on the West Side. It was fenced in but all seating was outdoors. About 1917 he bought a store from E. E. Summers named the "Little Red Goose" at 741 East Park Street. Mike made it a grocery/general store, selling also cosmetics, yard goods, patent medicines and toys at Christmas time. His daughters were thrilled each year to go with him to the wholesaler in St. Louis (first rides on an elevator) to choose the toys. He owned additional markets on East Cole Street and in St. John's. During the Depression, he fed many families whose fathers were without employment. When asked if he thought all the credit extended was getting out of hand, Mike simply replied, "Those children have to eat."

He developed land across the street from the store and family home, building one or two houses at a time. He was also a City Alderman in Du Quoin for some years. For a young immigrant who arrived in this country with \$20 and unable to speak English, he was by all accounts a most successful man.

Many family reunions were held on Fleta's birthday (original Memorial Day) in the big side yard of the family home at 737 East Park Street. Long tables and chairs were rented from the church and funeral home. Grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins gathered from far and near for the visit, bringing covered dishes for the feast.

Mike and Fleta were good parents and highly valued education and religious upbringing for their



children: Louise (1919-1982), Audrey (1923-1996), Betty (1924- ), Ruth (1926- ) and Roberta (1928- ). Mike died 25 March 1951; Fleta died 9 December 1981. Both are buried at Sunset Memorial Park. *Submitted by Roberta D. Torrence*

## DORRIS-TIMPNER

James Brette Dorris, was born on 17 October 1963 to Victor and Mary Lynn (Renner) Dorris in Centralia, Illinois. Paternal grandparents are James and Anna Catherine (Wright) Dorris of Centralia, Illinois. Maternal grandparents are Steve and Wilma (Stover) Renner, also of Centralia. The oldest of two children, Brette attended Centralia High School where he was active in cross country and track. He attended Little Grove Christian Church in Walnut Hill, Illinois. He earned a BS in 1985 and Master of Business Administration degree in 1987 from Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois.

Cynthia Joan (Timpner) Dorris was born 1 October 1964 in Du Quoin, Illinois to Gary Lee and Irma Joan (Wildermuth) Timpner of Pinckneyville, Illinois. Paternal grandparents are Edward C. and Margaret Catherine (Schickedanz) Timpner of Pinckneyville, Illinois. Maternal grandparents were Edward J. and Eva Marie (Heisner) Wildermuth, also of Pinckneyville. Cynthia, the oldest of three children, was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Cynthia attended Pinckneyville schools where she was active in the band playing flute and piccolo. She holds a BS in Marketing and a Master of Business Administration from Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, Illinois earned in 1986 and 1987 respectively.

Brette and Cindy were united in marriage 12 March 1988 at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville. They are the parents of Lauren Catherine, born 10 July 1992 and Colin Lee born 7 August 1995. Brette, Cindy, Lauren, and Colin reside in Glen Carbon, Illinois where Lauren attends kindergarten. Brette is employed by Kaplan Test Prep in St. Louis, Missouri; Cindy works at blue Cross Blue Shield of Missouri in St. Louis. They are members of St. John Evangelical United Church of Christ in Collinsville, Illinois. *Submitted by Cindy Dorris*

## DORSEY-ROBERTS

Robert Dean Dorsey was born 22 May 1937, in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. The son of Cecil Everett "Zeke" and Mary Alice (Rathke) Dorsey. On 29 June 1957 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, he married Alice Jane Roberts, born 20 October 1939. She is the daughter of Joseph Benton and Dorothy Lucille (Rice) Roberts. Robert and Alice's first child, Deanna Lynn Dorsey was born 26 August 1958. Their second child Robert Steven Dorsey was born 27 August 1960. Gary Dean Dorsey their third child was born 20 July 1962.

Robert and Alice have spent the forty years of their married life in the Du Quoin area. Robert is now employed with the General Henry Biscuit Company of Du Quoin. He has been with the company since its beginning, working as electrician and maintenance. He helped set the company into production in 1993.

Alice is employed as a nurses aide for the Marshall Browning Hospital since 1980. She has become involved in family research and family history, attending genealogy classes at John A.

Logan College. She has taken Robert's and her family lines back several generations, and is still working on them. She belongs to the Perry County Historical and Genealogy Society, The Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois, The Heritage League of Northwestern Illinois, and the Cornish American Heritage Society of England.

Deanna Lynn married 25 September 1993 to Mark Randall Russell born 2 August 1956 in Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois. He was the son of the late Basil and Patsey (Rayburn) Russell. Mark lived most of his life in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He spent six years of his life serving in the United States Army. He is employed at Gilster Mary Lee in Steelville, Illinois. Deanna graduated from John A. Logan College as a Medical Transcriber. She has since become afflicted with partial blindness and kidney failure and goes to kidney dialysis at Carbondale, Illinois.

Robert Steven married 26 October 1979 to Kimberly Kay Iffert, born 21 August 1961 to John and Mary Ann (Williams) Iffert. They have three children: Andy Joe Dorsey, born 5 February 1982; Timothy Paul Dorsey, born 24 January 1983; and Garrett Michael Dorsey, born 14 January 1995. Robert Steven is employed at B.I.C.C. Cable company in Du Quoin. Steven and Kim have spent many days doing school, sports and Boys Club volunteer work. Kim is employed as Activity Director at Fair Acres Nursing Center in Du Quoin since 1988.

Gary Dean married 22 May 1987 to Catherine Renee' Dearing, daughter of Cleota (Gihl) and the late Carl Dearing. They have one child: Collin Gene Dorsey born 6 March 1996. Gary attended Rend Lake College for auto mechanics, then later attended John A. Logan College for his Water Operators license. He is employed at Genesio Refrigeration Service. Renee' attended Southern Illinois University and graduated with a teaching degree. She taught at Perry County Head Start for 10 years and is now working as a teachers aide at the 204 School in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

You may refer to the 1988 Volume of the Perry County, Illinois History Book for further information on the family, with one correction. The third paragraph should have read: Robert was the second child of three children born to Cecil and Mary Alice Dorsey.

## DOUGHTY-BROWN

The years have passed and all of the Doughty family are still kicking. Both Al and Peg have retired and have opened a Bed and Breakfast at their acreage south of Pinckneyville. Al deconstructed two large barns and reconstructed them to use as an apartment and work shop, and an inground swimming pool (constructed out of silo staves) in a barn.

Also on the property are: two windmills, a 1970 Dempster N. 3 with a bobbed tailed horse and an Aermotor and fountain. They still have Arabian horses.

Susan still lives in Pinckneyville and runs Five Star Industries in Perry County, while Sarah is in high school and Amanda is attending SIU in Carbondale. Mike is still a welder in Dallas Texas and Sean is a music teacher in Nashville, Tennessee.

## DRNEC

As the last decade of the 19<sup>th</sup> century was beginning, so began the journey of a lifetime for

two young children. James Drnec and Tresa Davis, unknown to each other at this point in their lives, were migrating with their families from Bohemia to the United States. After coming through Ellis Island both families came to settle in Coal City, a small city in northern Illinois. James and Tresa met and grew up together. They married on 9 September 1903. They had four children: 2 sons, James and Frank and 2 daughters, Helen and Elsie. Elsie did not live to see her first birthday.



*L to R: Frank Drnec, James Drnec, Sr., Helen (Drnec) Moyers, Tresa Drnec, and James Drnec, Jr.*

In 1916 the family moved from Coal City to Du Quoin. In 1921, the premanufactured Sears home the family left in Coal City was taken apart in two sections and put on two railroad flatcars. When the house arrived in Du Quoin it was set up at 623 West Park Street where it still stands today. James, Sr. was employed as a coal miner at the Majestic Mine until 1931. He then found employment as a night watchman near Chicago and moved the family to Maplewood. They recall memories of a neighbor from across the street being gunned down "Mafia Style" while they lived there. Once again, due to a lack of employment, the family moved back to West Park Street in 1933. James, Sr. and the two sons, Jim and Frank, eventually found employment at the Blue Bell Packing company. In 1935 Helen was employed by Pied and Nancy Naumer and worked as their housekeeper for the next 15 years. Within the next few years, Jim and Frank moved back up north to Coal City. Jim married Hazel Knupp from Zeigler, Illinois on 20 July 1929. They had 2 daughters, Ruth Ann and Janie. Jim was employed as a truck driver for his cousin and then went to work for the elementary school. Frank married Emily Cerny from Coal City, Illinois on 4 June 1938. They had 2 children, a son Jim and a daughter Karen. He was employed in the shop at a Peabody Coal company strip mine. Helen was married to Bill Moyers of Mulkeytown, Illinois. They had 2 daughters: Carolyn and Rebecca. Bill was also an employee of the Blue Bell Packing Company and was later employed at the Coca-Cola Bottling Company. Helen remained a homemaker in Mulkeytown until 1967 when she returned to work as a housekeeper for the late Jake Naumer. She was also employed for several years by Mary Ann Hess at Fairview Lanes in Du Quoin, Illinois.

James and Tresa remained on Park Street, next door to the Schleuter family, where they had the pleasure of listening to young Charles practicing to become the renown musician he is today. There are many good memories of time spent with family and friends. James enjoyed setting on the front porch watching little league ballgames at the West Park School. In the evenings the family would gather around



the radio and listen to Harry Carey and Jack Buck announce the Cardinal games.

James Drnec Sr. Passed away in 1960 and in the later 1960's Tresa sold the house and moved back up to Coal City to live with her son, Jim. Tresa passed away in 1971. If James and Tresa were here today, they would still be welcoming their family, including 9 great grandchildren and 12 great great grandchildren into their home at 623 West Park Street, Du Quoin, Illinois.

## DRY

There have been some changes in the Dry family since the first book came out. Maurice and Helen sold their home in Perry County and moved to Eureka, Indiana in Woodford, County. They reside in Maple Lawn, a retirement center. At present time, they live in a cottage, but if health changes, apartment living or health care is available. Van service is available for shopping, banking, trips out of town for various activities. It has caused several habit changes but we are happy and satisfied.

Son, Frank, and family live in Ruanuke which is about 12 miles away. Frank is still employed by state FFA. Shirley, his wife, is dietary supervisor at Apostolic Christian Home in Eureka. Melissa is a sophomore at the University of Illinois. She is going into an Agricultural field. Julie is a freshman at Illinois Central College. After years she will transfer to a college for a degree in Occupational Therapy.

Daughter, Marilyn and husband, Stephen Stringer, are still in Vienna, Illinois. Stephen is a guard at Vienna Correctional Institute. Marilyn works for Blue Cross-Blue Shield at Marion. Amber is a Junior at Vienna High School, where she is a straight A pupil. Amy is in 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Vienna Grade School, where she is doing well.

Helen's sister and husband, Manuel Kastin, still live in Madison, Illinois. Both are retired.

## DUDEK-KEENE

Michelle Marie Keene (born 17 March 1966 in Detroit, Michigan) is the first child of Arthur Ross and Rose Marie (Yearion) Keene, Jr. of Du Quoin, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were Arthur Ross Keene, Sr. and Anna Mabel (Stickles) Keene of Du Quoin, Illinois. Maternal grandparents were James Milford Yearion and Helen Marie (Harmount) Yearion of Du Quoin, Illinois.



Michelle (Keene) and Kevin Dudek.

Kevin John Dudek (born 19 June 1968 in Du Quoin, Illinois) is the only child of Kenneth John and Joan Marie (Labuda) Dudek of Tamaroa, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were Sylvester Charles and Lilly (Kemnitz) Dudek of Du Bois, Illinois. Maternal grandparents were John and Leocadia (Najewski) Labuda of Radom, Illinois.

Kevin graduated from St. Charles Borromeo School in Du Bois in 1982 and from Tamaroa Community High School in 1986. Kevin has been employed by Marshall Browning Hospital the past three years as an environmental tech.

Michelle graduated from J.B. Ward Jr. High School in 1980 and Du Quoin, High School in 1984. She then graduated from Belleville Area College on 14 May 1987 and has been employed the last ten years at Marshall Browning Hospital as a Physical Therapist Assistant.

Kevin and Michelle were married 7 August 1993 in Sunfield and now reside in Tamaroa.

## DUNN-FONES

Ralph Alexander Dunn was born 28 February 1914 in Pinckneyville, Illinois the first child of M. Arthur Dunn (1886-1940) and Florence (Wilks) Dunn (1890-1949). The Dunns had five other children: Marion, Mildred, Margaret, James and Olive.



L to R Standing: Florence (Dunn) O'Neal, Gerald R. Dunn and Janet (Dunn) Johnson, L to R Seated: Ellen Mae Dunn, Ralph A. Dunn, and Ellen Catherine (Dunn) Sunnquist.

Ralph's paternal grandparents were William Edward (1844-1910) born near Toronto, Canada and Lucy A. (Gordon) Dunn. William E. Dunn was a veteran of the Civil War, Co. G. 12<sup>th</sup> Illinois Infantry.

Maternal grandparents were James Alexander Wilks (1839-1929) and Olive (Primm) Wilks (1854-1934). James A. Wilks was also a veteran of the Civil War; he also had a brother, Richard, who was captured and died in Andersonville Prison in 1865.

Ralph married Ellen Mae Fones in 1935. Ellen was born in Abington, Illinois on 25 May 1916, the second child of Albert George and Opal Maude (Taylor) Fones. Albert and Opal had eleven other children. Albert Fones made his livelihood farming, saw milling, carpentry, and such.

Ellen's paternal grandparents were John Rolf Fones (1835-1904) and Elizabeth Henrietta Voderbrugge (1868-1932). Her maternal grandparents were Lorenzo Dahl and Jane Abbot Taylor.

Ralph and Ellen began their married life in Matthews, a small community about ten miles south of Pinckneyville on the Illinois Central Railroad. Ralph's father, Arthur, owned and operated the general store and served as Postmaster. In the community there was a small Baptist Church where the Dunns made up a large part of the congregation.

Their first child, Florence Roberta, was born 27 June 1936 in Matthews. In early 1939, Ellen and Ralph moved to Pinckneyville where Ralph worked as a truck driver on highway construction

when Route 127 from Pinckneyville to Nashville was built. Ralph was president of the local Teamsters Union. Construction wages at that time were .75 cents per hour. Their second child, Gerald Ralph was born 12 May 1939.

As the highway construction was nearing completion, Ralph and his brothers, Marion and James had an opportunity to bid on their first joint venture. The contractor was just finishing the subway at the south edge of Pinckneyville on Route 127. The Dunn Brothers netted \$800.00 by sodding the subway. The \$800 just covered the cost of buying a concrete block machine. The business expanded to encompass ready mix concrete, trucking, coal hauling, etc. and the Dunn Brothers were off to successful business venture, which expanded to selling Kaiser-Frazer auto, Pontiacs and International trucks.

Ralph and Ellen had two more children: daughters Ellen Catherine (born 1943) and Janet (born 1945).

The Dunn Brothers expanded their business to Du Quoin, Murphysboro, and Carbondale. Ralph, Ellen and their family moved to Du Quoin in 1955.

In 1960, Ralph helped organize United Cerebral Palsy of Illinois, serving as state president from 1960-63. His state wide acquaintances led to his involvement in state politics.

Ralph's interest in Republican politics occupied most of his time for the next 35 years. He served as precinct committeeman, delegate to the 1968 Republican Convention, delegate to the Sixth Illinois Constitutional Convention (1969-70). Ralph was elected to the State of Illinois House of Representatives where he served six terms (1972-84). In 1984, 1988 and 1992, he was elected to the Illinois State Senate. He resigned from the Senate in 1995 and served in the office of State Treasurer until 30 April 1997.

## DYER

Dr. Lewis Dyer was a Civil War surgeon from Du Quoin. Dr. Lewis Dyer served as surgeon for the 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Vol. Infantry. Reg.. It was organized from the Southern Illinois counties of Perry, Jackson, Williamson, and Franklin, etc. They were mustered in 26 August 1862 and were mustered out in Chicago, Illinois on 5 August 1865, the end of the Civil War.

The good Doctor left his Du Quoin medical practice to take care of his friends and neighbors during the war effort. According to the "1860 U.S. Census of Perry County, he left at home Susan M. (age 52), Henry W. (age 29), Louisa N. (age 16) and Lucy (age 11).

Dr. L. Dyer and his 1<sup>st</sup> wife, Laura A. Purdy (born 1810, died 11 October 1896) were originally from the State of Vermont. The IOOF Cemetery Book reported that he was born 1807 in Shaftsbury, Bennington, County, Vermont. He died on 11 October 1896. She was a Presbyterian. They moved to Ohio, then Iowa, before coming to Du Quoin, Illinois, about 1857. [It is assumed that Henry W. Dyer was their son] his occupation was listed as clerk in the 1860 census, and he was also from Vermont. If the wedding date of Dr. Dyer and his 1<sup>st</sup> wife were to be known, Henry might have been a brother. The two daughters were born in Ohio. Note: Laura died some 3 years before the m.i. of the 81<sup>st</sup>.

Dr. Lewis' 2<sup>nd</sup> wife was Elizabeth Campbell. Her parents were Samuel and Julia (Grains) Campbell.



After the truce was signed, Dr. Lewis Dyer returned to his family and medical practice in Du Quoin. He was often called upon to attest to the accuracy of claims for pensions and to otherwise verify war stories. There were many other veterans around to share their support.

One example of his valuable assistance was in the application of the widow of John R. Lipe to the State of Illinois for a pension. Dr. L. Dyer wrote a lengthy letter explaining how he had known John R. before the war as a farmer in the Du Quoin, Illinois area. He attested to his trustworthy character, witnessed his devotion to duty during the war, and vouched that, indeed, he had continued to treat him for ailments in civilian life that had begun while on active duty. John's widow received the pension.

The letter from Doctor Louis Dyer and other supportive notes by several neighbors can be found in the Perry County Court House: File #\_\_\_\_\_, Record #\_\_\_\_\_.

There is more information and a good biographical sketch in the "1883 History of Randolph, Monroe and Perry Counties of Illinois".

## EATON-GORE

Joseph Harold Eaton, son of George Eaton and Rachel Bailey, married Edna Emma Gore of Tamaroa, on 17 October 1929 in Indiana. They had two children, Joseph Harold Jr., died at birth on 10 October 1934. Judith Ann was born on 10 February 1940. In November of 1957, Judith Ann married Virgil Wayne "Junie" Wynn, son of Virgil Arthur Wynn and Helen Ruby (Woodside) Wynn, in Pinckneyville. Three children were born to Judith and Junie. Cathy JoAnn, 9 May 1958, Launa June, 26 September 1959, and Sherri Jean, 30 August 1960. Junie was shot and killed while deer hunting in November of 1964.

In December of 1968, Judith was remarried to Charles Walter Helsley of Carbondale. One child was born to them, Travis Joel Helsley, 19 December 1971. Charles and Judy reside in Sunfield (Hardscrabble). They are both retired and enjoy the "Grandparent Scene—spoil them and send them home." They are active in the Sunfield Methodist Church and Charles is involved with No Greater Love Ministries. He ventures to Honduras to underprivileged communities to spread the word of God and take supplies and clothing to needy children and families.

Cathy married David Lee Lemons in June 1978 and had three children, Joshua David, Justin David, and Jamie JoAnn. Cathy and David divorced in 1985 and in February 1997, Cathy married Gary Chaney. They reside in Du Quoin. Cathy is employed by Du Quoin State bank as Assistant Vice President.

Launa married Roger A. Harsy in December 1977 and had ten children, Chad Allen, Jason Wayne, Shannon Dawn, Stephanie Broök, Nathanael, Sarah, and a set of quads in 1996, (Jacqueline, Jordan, Jonathan, and Jessica). They reside in Du Quoin. Launa is a Registered Nurse and is currently employed with Memorial Hospital in Carbondale where she works in the surgery department.

Sherri married Timothy N. McClanahan in March 1980. They had three children, Jarrod Michael, Jennifer Michelle, and Jeremy Marcus. They reside in Du Quoin. Sherri is employed by UNI in Pinckneyville and is a Sales Supervisor.

Travis married Ronda Neville. They had two children, Trevor Ray and Lauren Marie. They also live in Du Quoin. Travis is employed by the Perry County Sheriff's department and is very active with the Perry County Shriners Club.

Jason Harsy, son of Launa, is the father of one son, Bryant Rae Harsy. He was born in March 1997. The mother is Stephanie Cole of Sunfield.

Edna still resides in Sunfield. She has one daughter, four grandchildren, eighteen great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild. Joe always said there sure were a lot of kids that came from only one daughter.

## EATON-WEST

Samuel Eaton, born 14 February 1778 in Rowan County, North Carolina was the earliest settler of this line in Perry County. His parents were Isaac Eaton and Phoebe Hall.

The earliest Eaton ancestor to America was John Eaton who was born in Llandewi, Radnorshire, Wales. His wife was Joan. They both died in New Castle County, Delaware in 1717. Their known children were Joseph Eaton, John Eaton, and Reverend George Eaton.

The Reverend George Eaton was born about 1686 in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. He died there on 1 July 1764. He married Mary Davis, the daughter of Peter Davis. Their children were: Mary, George Jr., Peter D., John, James, and Sarah.

John Eaton, son of Reverend George, was born about 1716 in Philadelphia County, Pennsylvania. He died in Davie County, North Carolina in 1789. His wife was Elizabeth and they had the following children: George, Isaac, Samuel, Daniel, James, Jonathan, Sarah, and Elizabeth.

Isaac Eaton was born about 1745 in North Carolina and died there about 1812. In 1768 he married Phoebe Hall, the daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth Hall. Isaac and Phoebe had six known children: Isaac Jr., Abraham, William, Daniel, Samuel, and Jesse.

Samuel Eaton married Elizabeth West, daughter of Samuel West, on 31 August 1801 in Rowan County, North Carolina. They moved to Rutherford County, Tennessee about 1815 where the last four children were born. Children: Nancy; Enoch married Mary Hughes; West who married Permelia Jones; Isaac who married Eady Geither; an infant; Samuel H. who married Delpha Hull; another infant; Rebecca who married Lewis Benson; Elizabeth who married Valentine Keith (see Keith history); John who married Elizabeth Vaum; and Zachariah who married Mary Montague. All of these marriages took place in Perry County.

Samuel and Elizabeth moved to Perry County about 1831. After Elizabeth West Eaton's death, Samuel married Frances Montague on 29 March 1846 in Perry County. He died in Perry County in 1864. *Submitted by Rita Wilburn Ackerman*

## EHLER

Warren "Cool" Ehler was born 30 April 1866 to Jessie and Mary (Alden) Ehler. His family moved to Perry County when he was a young man. He married Anna Myrtle Marlow (born 15 July 1878 to Bartley and Pernina [Leach] Marlow of rural Tamaroa). "Cool" worked as a farmer and carpenter, and he and Anna had thirteen children. Mabel (4 December 1896-15 December 1917, married Charles Hopp and died from complica-

tions after childbirth), Lyle (born 1898, died as a child), Carmen (1900-1981, married Olin Harris and raised her family in Tamaroa), Paul (born 1902, died as a child), Russell (1905-1979, lived in rural Tamaroa), Cecil "Sig" (1907-1989, lived in Du Quoin most of his life), Grace (born in 1908, married Dave Huggins and raised her family in rural Tamaroa), Lola Mae (born March 24, 1910), Lillian "Did" (married Harry Fisher and lived in rural Tamaroa), Frank "Newt" (1914-1989, married Isabel Lively and lived most of his life in Du Quoin), Chuck (7 August 1916-1989, married Virginia and raised his family in Rio, Illinois), Leonard "Brooks" (1919-1978, worked for the railroad and lived in rural Tamaroa), and Dorothy "Hope" (24 December 1921, retired from Country Set/Bridal Originals and lives in rural Tamaroa).



*Anna Ehler and Lola (Ehler) Moore in 1940.*

On 1 October 1932, Lola Mae Ehler married Claude Lee Moore (born 18 October 1909 to J.R. and Martha (Lee) Moore) at the Pinckneyville Courthouse. Lola and Claude lived in Tamaroa and raised two sons (Carl Lee [born 1934] and Charles "Bub" [born 1937]). Claude and Lola were able to celebrate their 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary just prior to Claude's death in 1996. In the early 1920's, a barn was moved from in town Tamaroa from the Jim Brady residence (just east of what used to be Enoch Marlow's Store) out to what is now known as 3<sup>rd</sup> South Street (east to the dead end). This barn was then remodeled into a home where J.R. and Martha Moore lived. In 1963, Claude and Lola moved into the house and Lola still resides there.

Charles "Bub" Moore graduated from Tamaroa High School in 1956 and then attended Barber School in Decatur, Illinois. His barber shop was in Du Quoin on North Oak Street (around the corner from Western Auto). In June 1961 he married Sherry Lynn Anderson (born 16 November 1945 to Tom and Peggy [Alvis] Anderson). Charlie currently lives in Du Quoin and his barber shop is now located at 31 West Main (across the street from Sacred Heart Church). Charles and Sherry had one daughter, Robin Lee (born 2 February 1962). Robin graduated from Du Quoin High School (1980), and in 1987 she married David Pierce (born 10 June 1962 to Scotty and Carolyn [Gillis] Pierce). Robin and David have three children (James Devon-born 8 May 1988, Ian Scott-born 15 January 1993, and Whitney Rachelle-born 28 January 1997). Robin, David, Devon, Ian, and Whitney Pierce currently reside in the old Bailey/Junior and Maxine Hilt home located on Route 51 between Du Quoin and Tamaroa. *Submitted by Robin Pierce*



## EISENHAUER-BOST

Leonard and Inez's genealogy is detailed in the Volume 1, History of Perry County, Illinois. Since the first volume they have gained new family members who will be in other biographies in this book. Leonard retired in 1981 from District 13 and Inez retired in 1989 from Southern Illinois University after 21 years. In the years between volumes this couple was involved in recording county cemeteries. They are both long time members of the Perry County Historical Society which was attempting to record all of the cemeteries in the county. In 1992 the couple read the tombstones in the Sacred Heart Cemetery, about 1,800, and Inez bought a computer to put the information in book form. (She had no idea what she was getting into.) However, with much support from computer-wise friends, mainly Mike Francois, who gave such wonderful help, and knowledgeable grandsons, the book was produced. This led to recording McElvain and Old Du Quoin Cemetery, Du Quoin area, and St. Bruno's in Pinckneyville. They were sometimes accompanied by one of their daughters, Vicki Morris, Gayle Eisenhower, or grandson, Gene Eisenhower.



*Inez and Leonard Eisenhower.*

With no more cemeteries to read, Inez turned to other subjects—anything historical—old letters, lists of soldiers in various wars, et cetera. When that sort of thing ran out, she moved on to the census of Perry County, 1870, 1880, and 1900. Since the 1890 census had burned, she and Donna Vuichard did the real estate records. Donna has been constant with support and assistance on these projects.

Between times, the couple did genealogy and a 220 page family history book was produced from their efforts. Inez always did the book work, while Leonard did the leg work or drove her places, waiting patiently while information from ancestors tombstones was recorded or records were searched. He also had to wait on more than one meal while she was typing. (Strange that typing was her most passionate hate in high school but now she spends a great time of each day doing just that.) One of her great triumphs was finding all of the siblings of Leonard's great-grandfather, five came to America while five remained in Germany.

After one year in the Navy during World War 2, Leonard spent most of his working days as an auto mechanic, about 26 years at the Copeland Motors. When he decided he'd had enough of that, he worked as grounds keeper at Scuttle Inn and the Perry County (now Red Hawk) golf course. He spent some time at District 13, Illinois State Police as a maintenance worker. He loved hunting, fishing, and doing carpenter work, building a fine set of cabinets in two of their homes. One of

these homes was in Vergennes, the other their present home in Du Quoin where they moved in 1958. Many antiques were purchased and refinished for this last home with Leonard doing the repair work and Inez most of the rest. This home has been the scene of great family get-togethers with children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren filling the house with laughter and chatter.

Another interest is e-mail—with Inez doing the computer work and Leonard reading the results. Contact is maintained with many relatives in Canada, where Inez was born, daughter LT, (Linda) and her husband, Ralph Hill, a career Navy man stationed in Japan, and an ever-growing list of correspondents throughout the United States. Almost every day finds them at a local café chatting with friends and keeping up with the town news. Inez also loves crafts, handwork, growing flowers, and reading an average of three books a week.

Leonard watches much television these days, while Inez argues and fights with the computer and its 'glitches,' which always seem to be a part of the life of anyone dealing with such equipment. But it is so much fun!!!

## EISENHAUER-ENDRES

Oscar Jacob Eisenhower was born 14 July 1887 to Joseph Eisenhower (1855-1935) and Elizabeth (Sutter) Eisenhower (1859-1898). They owned a farm in Perry County and Joseph was also a carpenter and helped build barns for farmers in the area. Oscar also became a carpenter and while still single he bought, owned, and operated a sawmill. He owned a corn-shredder, a pea-huller, and he bought a brand new "Belleville" wheat separator and "Jumbo" steam engine to use on threshing runs to area farms during harvest time. Oscar met Ida Regina Endres (25 January 1887) who was the fourth child of Caroline (Schwend) Endres (1859-1943) and Michel Endres (1854-1931).



*L to R Back Row: Lewis, Clarence, Bernard, and Leroy  
L to R Front Row: Ida and Oscar Eisenhower.*

Oscar and Ida married 28 August 1912. They bought a farm of 180 acres at the southeast corner of Perry County and lived in a smoke house with a dirt floor until he built their home. They had three of their four sons at their farm. Their first son Clarence Sylvester (6 February 1914-1977) married Adeline Christina Epplin (2 September 1919) on 21 May 1940. They had two children, Joane Marie (1 July 1941) and Donald Eugene (15 March 1948). Their second son Bernard Eugene (31 July 1916-18 March 1983) married Ihle Ione Swetland (4 October 1920) on 6 May 1943. They had two sons David Eugene (20 November 1950) and Bruce Allen (24 June 1952). Oscar and Ida's third son Leroy Oscar born 17 August 1919 mar-

ried Clara Aurelia Epplin (15 October 1920) on 6 May 1943. They had two children Clara Lee (12 October 1944) and Richard Leroy (14 October 1947). Leroy was killed in a truck accident 23 September 1950 at 31 years of age. Oscar, Ida, and the boys moved to 22 Well Street, Du Quoin around 1920. Their fourth son Lewis Elmer was born at home 21 August 1923. He married Catherine Virginia Seibert (15 September 1926-12 March 1993) on 28 November 1944. They had three daughters, Pamela Kathryn (28 September 1947), Paula Ann (21 March 1949), and Patricia Lynn (17 September 1951). They adopted a son Gary Lewis in 1960. He is now deceased. Oscar, Ida, and sons lived at Wells Street until 28 March 1932 when they moved back to their farm. They raised cattle, sold milk, and grew corn, wheat, and soybeans. Around 1946 they moved to Parker Street in Pinckneyville. On 9 March 1966 Oscar passed away after a long illness and on 19 May 1972 Ida passed away. Both are buried in St. Bruno's Catholic Cemetery.

## EISENHAUER-EPPLIN

Clarence S. Eisenhower was born 6 February 1914, to Oscar J. Eisenhower and Ida R. (Enders) Eisenhower in Du Quoin, Illinois Perry County. Clarence died 8 November 1974 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. He was a farmer, mechanic, and a truck driver. He married Adeline C. Epplin 21 May 1940 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Adeline was born 2 September 1919, south of Pinckneyville, Illinois Perry County to Edward and Anna W. (Hoffman) Epplin. Adeline was a housewife, and worked at the Fountain Motel in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Clarence and Adeline lived in Pinckneyville all their lives. They raised two children Joann Marie and Donald Eugene Eisenhower.

Joann Marie was born 1 July 1941 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Joann married James Anthony Buschschulte 10 May 1960 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. They had one son James Anthony Buschschulte Jr. born 19 November 1961. Joann and James divorced in January 1974. Joann had a daughter Crystal Lynn Tome born 1 May 1975. Joann works at the Fountain Motel now named Main Street Inn, in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

James Anthony Buschschulte Jr. married Cynthia Sue Hubler 9 March 1979 in Pinckneyville. He joined the Air Force 9 May 1979. He was an Airplanes Fuel Specialist. He was sent to Desert Storm August 1990 to March 1991. He is a truck driver now. James and Cynthia had one daughter Amelia Dawn Buschschulte born 13 December 1980. They divorced 31 July 1981. James then married Christine Marie Haney 13 July 1984. They had two sons, Jared Michael, born 21 November 1987 and David James, born 18 August 1989.

Donald Eugene Eisenhower born 15 March 1948 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He married Sherry Lynn Shaw 10 July 1965 in Du Quoin. He worked at Color World Press in Sparta, Illinois from April 1966 to January 1996 and now works at Ligma in Nashville, Illinois. They had four children, Donald Eugene Eisenhower Jr. born 22 January 1966. He married Mary LuAnne Whitson 20 November 1989. They have three children, Katie Marie born 9 January 1991, Kay LuAnne born 21 August 1993, and Nicholus Eugene born 18 January 1996.

Linda Marie was born 15 July 1967 and married Brent Roland Nevill 7 June 1986. They have



two sons, Dax Dokota born 14 November 1988 and Ethan Tebias born 28 March 1993.

Kimberly Lynn was born 9 July 1970 and married Roger W. Ehler 26 March 1988. They had one son Joshua Cole Ehler born 12 September 1988. She divorced Roger 30 October 1991. Kim married Michael W. Little 14 February 1992, and had one daughter Shaylyn Nicole Little born 8 November 1991. Kim and Mike divorced 14 March 1994.

Michael Scott was born 16 August 1974, and has two children with Lorraine Janette Pence: Shane Michael born 24 June 1991 and Samathia Jo Eisenhauer born 21 January 1993.

Donald and Sherry divorced 18 March 1976. Donald married Sandra Lee Patterson 3 February 1977 and divorced in July 1996.

## EISENHAUER-KELLUMS

Richard Leroy Eisenhauer was born 14 October 1947 at Du Quoin Illinois. He was the second child born to Leroy Oscar Eisenhauer born 17 August 1919, died 23 September 1950, and Clara Aurelia Epplin born 15 October 1920.

Richard has one older sister Clara Lee Buschschulte born 12 October 1944.



L to R: Richard, Nancy, Christopher, and Ryan Eisenhauer.

Richard's maternal grandparents were Edward Epplin born 27 February 1896, died 4 November 1983 and Anna W. Hoffmann born 28 May 1894, died 5 November 1973. Paternal grandparents were Oscar Jacob Eisenhauer born 14 July 1887, died 9 March 1966 and Ida Regina Endres born 25 January 1887, died 19 May 1972.

At the age of 2 1/2 years his father was tragically killed in a truck accident at Chester, Illinois while driving for Dempsey Keene Sr. of Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Richard attended St. Bruno's Catholic School and Pinckneyville Community High School and was a member of the Class of '66'. While home on leave after returning from Vietnam, Richard would meet a young lady, Nancy Eileen Kellums. After being discharged from the Army, Richard and Nancy were married 13 September 1969.

Nancy was born 23 August 1948 in Effingham, Illinois. She is the daughter of Lester Howard Kellums born 7 May 1915, died 5 June 1997, and Luanna Mann born 1 May 1923. Nancy has two brothers, Jimmy Carol Kellums born 10 July 1944, and Mark Douglas Kellums born 31 January 1957.

Her maternal grandparents were Charley Grover Mann born 16 May 1892, died 22 September 1960, and Ruth Roberts born 17 March 1901, died 2 December 1979. Her paternal grandparents were Lee Harrison Kellums born 9 August 1889, died 17 September 1948 and

Alice Lee Frazier born 13 January 1893, died 13 September 1985.

Nancy is a graduate of Pinckneyville Community High School and a member of the Class of '68', she is also a graduate of the Mt. Vernon School of Cosmetology.

Richard has worked several different jobs, as a mechanic for Braun Standard Service, drove a truck for Dunn Bros., delivered freight for Frazer Truck Line, and worked at Streamline and Captain Mines. In November 1992 Richard was laid-off from Captain Mine, he would return to college and in May 1994 Richard and son Christopher would graduate together from Rend Lake College. Richard is currently an Electrician for Joy Technologies of Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Nancy has been associated with the greenhouse and nursery business having worked at several different locations over the last several years. Being an avid gardener she became a Master Gardener through a program offered by the University of Illinois.

Richard and Nancy have two sons Christopher Gordon Eisenhauer born 8 December 1970 in Pinckneyville, Illinois and Ryan Dale Eisenhauer born 8 January 1976 in Nashville, Illinois.

Christopher was a member of the last graduating class from Community Consolidated District 212, as 1986 was the last year they would hold class there. He graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School and Rend Lake College. He has worked several jobs, Kroger, Linkon Auto Supply, was Service Manager for Holzhauer Du Quoin Ford Mercury and is currently a Service Adviser for Lakeland Ford Mercury in Herrin, Illinois. He enjoys collecting and restoring Antique Tractors.

Ryan attended Pinckneyville District #50 Grade School, graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School, was a member of the '94' Class A State Basketball Team, and is also a graduate of Rend Lake College. He has been the assistant track coach at Pinckneyville Junior High the last two years, and is currently working for Ligma Corporation in Nashville, Illinois.

## EISENHAUER-SEIBERT

Lewis Elmer Eisenhauer was born at 22 Well Street, Du Quoin, Illinois on 21 August 1923. Lewis was the youngest son of Ida Regina (Endres) Eisenhauer (25 January 1887-19 May 1972) and Oscar Jacob Eisenhauer (14 July 1887-9 March 1966). He had three older brothers, Clarence Sylvester (6 February 1914-8 November 1947), Bernard Eugene (31 July 1916-18 March 1983), and Leroy Oscar (17 August 1919-23 September 1950).

The first eight years of his life, the family lived in Du Quoin where Lewis attended Sacred Heart Catholic School till third grade. In 1932 the family moved back to live on their 180 acre farm. Lewis attended Woodward Elementary School from the fifth grade to his eighth grade graduation. One year there were only 5 students in the whole school. Lewis met Catherine Virginia Seibert when they were just young children. Her parents Jacob George Seibert (18 January 1887-5 May 1944) and Elizabeth Jane Arndell (9 April 1882-2 August 1984) owned a 100 acre farm west of the Eisenhauer farm. Lewis and Catherine dated for over a year and married 28 January 1944. Lewis worked as a truck driver the early years of their marriage and they moved to Columbus, Ohio

where their first daughter, Pamela Kathryn was born 28 September 1947. The family moved back to Pinckneyville in December 1947. They bought property at Fairground Road and built their home there. Their second daughter Paula Ann was born 21 March 1949 at Marshall Browning Hospital. The hospital bill for this five day stay was a total of \$53.60. Their third daughter Patricia Lynn was born 17 September 1951 and for her eight day stay, the hospital bill was \$76.80.



L to R: Lewis and Catherine V. (Seibert) Eisenhauer.

In 1960 Catherine and Lewis adopted a son Gary Lewis. In March 1966 they bought Berts Café and in July 1966 they moved to 712 South Walnut to be closer to their café. In 1972 they sold Berts Café and Lewis went to work for the Operators for eight years and in 1978 he went to work for the mine. He retired in 1986 so he could be home to help his wife, Catherine who had two major heart surgeries and a bypass done. Catherine was in failing health the last few years before her death on 12 March 1993. She is buried at St. Bruno Catholic Cemetery. Lewis still resides at 712 South Walnut and his favorite pastime hobbies are auctions and garage sales.

## ELLISON

Mary and Lawrence Ellison of Du Quoin, Illinois will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary this year on 17 January. Lawrence Elbert, the third son of Elbert and Stella (Quick) Ellison was born on 16 May 1924 in Cottonwood, Gallatin County, Illinois. Mary Elizabeth the first daughter and second child of Freemon and Nola (Langford) Reeder of Eldorado, was born on 1 April 1923 in Saline County, Illinois. Having lived most of their lives in the southeastern part of Southern Illinois, they moved across the state to Tamaroa in 1965, when Lawrence retained a job in Du Quoin working for the Phelps Dodge Cable Company. In 1975, Mary and Lawrence moved to Du Quoin where they reside today.



Lawrence and Mary Ellison.

The Ellison's raised six children during their marriage. Two daughters, Pearl and Joan were



Mary's children by a previous marriage and were adopted by Lawrence upon their marriage. Nancy Ann was Lawrence and Mary's first child, followed by Lawrence Stephen, Stella Jean, and Thomas Richard.

By the time the Ellison's moved to Perry County the two oldest daughters were already married and had begun families of their own. When the other children began school in the Tamaroa district, Nancy was a senior, Steve a sophomore, Stella a freshman, and Tom was in the fifth grade.



*Lawrence and Mary Ellison.*

Nancy graduated in 1966 from Tamaroa High School and in 1967 married Ronald Arthur Keller, son of Arthur and Madge (Clampet) Keller of Tamaroa. Their daughter, Katrina LeeAnn born in 1974 became the wife of David Allen Waldman. They are the proud parents of Zachary Caleb who is soon to have a sister or brother sometime around March of 1998. They now reside in Mt. Vernon.

Lawrence Steven, known to everyone as Steve is self employed and owns Steve's Trash Service in Tamaroa. Steve's wife is the former Patricia Lou George, daughter of Louis and Rosie (Knapp) George of Tamaroa. They are the parents of Lawrence Edward (Larry), Joseph Wayne (Joe), and Robert Allen (Bobby). Each of these children are now married and still reside in Tamaroa. Larry wed Christine Bullington in 1995 and they have two children: Tyler Ryan and Taylor Dylan. Tracey Lynn Hammond became the wife of Joe Ellison on 9 March 1996 in Du Quoin and just recently gave birth to their first child, a son Nicholas Joseph on 21 December 1997. The youngest son, Bobby married Vicki Lynn Wilson and they are the proud parents of one child, Jeremiah Stephen. They are expecting their second child in February of 1998.

On 1 June 1967, Mary and Lawrence's youngest daughter, Stella Jean was killed in a car accident while taking her mother to Du Quoin to do the Saturday shopping errands. Mary, my mother, almost lost her life as well, but by the grace of God, she lived and has surprised her family, friends, and doctors with her continued good health throughout the following years. This incident left quite an impression on the young students of Tamaroa High School. They learned just how fast and swift one of their peers could be taken away from them, just days after school had dismissed for the summer. Even now in 1998, over 30 years have passed and people have not forgotten, for often I am asked for details of the accident and how my mother is doing now.

Lawrence and Mary's youngest child, Thomas Richard is the father of two boys, Chad Alan born in 1976 and Scott Michael born in Pordenone,

Italy in 1983 while his father was serving in the Air Force in Aviano, Italy. Their mother is the former Carrie Lynn Rice of Du Quoin and today they reside in their recently purchased home on Mulberry Street in Du Quoin.

Mary, my mother has devoted her life to the raising of her family and has been a loving wife to my father. She has often commented that she would have loved to raise a dozen or more children, as that was her hobby in life. My father's many occupations have included that of a farmer, logger and sawmill operator, farm stockman, oil well painter, cable supervisor at Phelps Dodge Cable, and meat packer for Blue Bell industries in Du Quoin. But perhaps the occupation most people of Perry County will remember him for is that of self employed washer and dryer repairman. Over the years that he and my mother have lived in Perry County, he has serviced many families by keeping their washers and dryers repaired so that they may have an easier way of life. Many of his customers have often told me that if he couldn't fix it, no one could. When he is not working on washers or dryers, most of the time he can be found at Rend Lake fishing for the "big one," while mother, unable these days to join him, sits home waiting for him to bring home his "catch of the day." *Submitted by Nancy Ann (Ellison) Keller*

## EMLING-BIRD

Arthur John Emling (Louis 2<sup>nd</sup>, Conrad 1<sup>st</sup>) was born on 11 July 1900 in Perry County, Illinois. He was the son of Elizabeth "Lizzy" (Woll) and Louis Emling. He made Grace Bird his bride on 4 September 1918, in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She was the daughter of Elizabeth "Lizzie" (Taylor) and Daniel Bird. She was born on 19 January 1901 in rural Perry County. (See Daniel Bird Family)



*L to R: Russel, Arthur, Leo, Grace and Velma Emling.*

Arthur John Emling was a coal miner most of his life. He worked at the Security White Ash Mine, Old Kathleen at Dowell, and the New Kathleen Mines southwest of Du Quoin. He was a Deacon and Sunday School Superintendent at the First Baptist Church in Du Quoin. Grace was an excellent cook. Having four brothers to cook for helped teach her skills in the kitchen before she was married.

To this union were born three children. Russel Arthur Emling born 28 July 1919 in Perry County who married Lena Mae Gillis in Jackson, Cape County, Missouri on 28 June 1938. She was born 14 March 1918 near the Denmark Community Perry County, Illinois. They had two children Clayton Eugene Emling born 17 February 1939 and Janet Louise Emling born 20 July 1940.

The Emlings' second child was Velma Lucille Emling born 9 February 1923 in Du Quoin, Perry

County, Illinois. She and Forest Earl Devor born 30 November 1919 were married on 22 August 1941 in Jackson, Cape County, Missouri. She lost a long, hard fought battle with liver disease on 8 December 1994. Earl Devor died from heart disease on 7 July 1976. Both are buried at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois. Velma and Earl have two daughters, Shirley Diane Devor born 29 October 1942, in Perry County, Illinois and Donna Dee Devor born 8 February 1947 also in Perry County, Illinois.

Leo Vincent Emling, the third child of Grace and Arthur Emling was born on 13 October 1925. He graduated from Du Quoin High School and worked in the Electro-Motive factory in Chicago for several years before facing long term disability.

Arthur Emling was seriously injured when crushed by a fall of rock while at work at Union Colliery Company's New Kathleen slope mine on 5 June 1948. He was transferred to St. Mary's Hospital in East St. Louis, Illinois. He died 11 June 1948.

Grace (Bird) Emling married Frank Stein on 22 August 1953. Frank Stein was born on 31 October 1898 and passed away on 17 August 1963 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Grace died on 18 July 1968 at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin after a lengthy illness. Both Arthur and Grace are buried at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois. *Submitted by Martha Pope Emling*

## EMLING-DEVOR

The wedding of Velma Lucille Emling (Arthur J. 3<sup>rd</sup>, Lewis 2<sup>nd</sup>, Conrad 1<sup>st</sup>) to Forest Earl Devor took place in Jackson, Cape County, Missouri on 22 August 1941. Velma was the daughter of Grace (Bird) and Arthur John Emling. She was born on 9 February 1923 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and died 8 December 1994 in St. Louis County, Missouri. Earl Devor was born on 30 November 1919 in Perry County, Illinois, the son of Forest and Mary (Sellers) Devor. Earl died on 7 July 1976 in Marion, Grant County, Indiana.



*Forest Devor and Velma Emling.*

Earl worked in the coal mines until the Centralia mine explosion in which several family members were killed. He and his family moved to La Grange Park, Illinois, and he worked for International Harvester Company. Earl worked as a store manager for F. W. Woolworth's until his retirement. Velma also worked for Woolworth's and in the banking community.

They had two daughters Shirley Diane Devor was born 29 October 1942 in Du Quoin. She married Peter Guarneri, Jr. born 29 January 1946 on 16 August 1969 in Marion, Indiana. Their three sons and families follow.



Carl Francis Guarneri born 20 November 1963 married Rita Jayne Schwarze on 25 April 1987. Their children are Erin Raeann Guarneri born in 1990, Emily Diane Guarneri born in 1991, and Elizabeth Jayne Guarneri born in 1995.

Ronald Earl Guarneri married Jessica Lee Kroll on 4 October 1997 and has one daughter Taylor Serena Marie Toft born in 1994.

Antonio "Tony" Etep Guarneri has one daughter Shelby Ann Guarneri born in 1996.

Earl and Velma's second daughter is Donna Dee Devor who was born on 8 February 1947 in Du Quoin. She was married to Philip Eugene Reese on 14 December 1969. Their sons and wives follow.

Donald Robert Reese was born on 23 January 1965 and married Heidi Mendenhall.

Darren Eugene Reese was born 12 August 1972 and married Susan Margaret Bristor on 8 March 1997.

The last two years of Velma's life was spent in Du Quoin. She was active in the First Baptist Church where she had been a member as a child and young person. She renewed many childhood friendships and felt as if she had truly come home.

Velma (Emling) and Earl Devor are buried at the Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois. *Submitted by Martha Pope Emling and Shirley Devor Guarneri*

## EMLING-GILLIS

Russel Arthur Emling (Arthur 3<sup>rd</sup>, Louis 2<sup>nd</sup>, Conrad 1<sup>st</sup>) was born in Perry County on 28 July 1919, the son of Arthur and Grace (Bird) Emling. More information on the Emling and Bird family can be found in this book (Volume 2 of the History of Perry County, Illinois).



*Lena Mae and Russel Emling.*

Russel and Willimina Lena Mae Gillis were married in Cape County, Missouri on 28 June 1938. Lena was born near Denmark Community, Perry County, Illinois on 14 March 1918. She is the daughter of Nora Rosette (Eaton) and Franklin Walter Gillis (additional information in this book under Gillis Family). Nora Rosette Eaton daughter of Esther Jane (Richmond) and Willard Cyrus Eaton. Esther Jane daughter of Martha R. (Brown) and Andrew Young Richmond son of J. John Richmond born in 1810 in South Carolina.

The Eaton Family came from Rowan and Davie Counties, North Carolina, then to Tennessee. Every place they lived, they started a Baptist Church. The family came to Perry County from Tennessee in the early 1800's.

Russ worked for Du Quoin Packing Company as a salesman. They moved to Mattoon, Illinois but returned to Perry County.

They have two children. Clayton Eugene and wife Martha (Pope) Emling. Clay is the owner and Pharmacist at Clinic Pharmacy in Pinckneyville. They have three children: Beth Emling who married Donny Shanklin on 3 August 1996, lives in Union City, Tennessee. Beth is a Youth and Child Therapist. Charles "Rusty" Russel Emling married Kathi Jo Harrington on 29 July 1995 in Garnett, Kansas. Rusty is a coach and teacher at Burlington High School, Burlington, Kansas. They have one daughter Shelbi Jo. Richard "Rich" Clayton Emling married Theresa Whaley in Pinckneyville on 11 September 1993. Rich is a Chemical Applicator for Twin County F.S. They have 2 children, Kala Michelle and Charles Peyton.

Their second child is Janet Louise (Emling) Schmidt who is the wife of Dieter Carl Schmidt. They live in Algonquin, Illinois. Janet has just retired from United Air Lines and Dieter works for Motorola Computer Systems. They have two children Kelly Lynn (Eisenhauer) who married Patrick Johnston on 4 December 1982. They have two children, Sara Elizabeth and Adam Patrick. Kelly is in banking and Pat is with a computer company. Terry Lee Eisenhauer and his wife Carolyn (Boettcher) are the parents of Terry Lee, Jr. and Traci Lynn Eisenhauer.

This year on 28 June 1998, Russel and Lena Mae celebrated their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Congratulations from all of your family!!! *Submitted by Clay and Martha Emling*

## EMLING-KOEHLER

Conrad Emling and Emma Koehler were married in St. Clair County, Illinois on 25 October 1860. The marriage record is recorded there. Emma is in the 1860 Census of St. Clair County, Illinois as Emma Koehler age 19, born in Illinois. She is living in the household of Julius Albert and his wife Christena who was a widow born in Saxony (a German state). There were also several other Koehler family members living with the Albert family, Fred, William, and Sophia. Conrad Emling is also living in St. Clair County in the 1860 Census and is given as 23 years, born in Bavaria.



*Conrad and Emma (Koehler) Emling.*

The ship, F. W. Brune left La Havre, France and arrived in New Orleans on 5 March 1857. On her passenger list were Theobald Emling age 18 and Conrad Emling age 21. Both gave their occupation as farmer, Bavaria as their home, and United States as their destination. In the 1900 Census of Perry County, Illinois, Conrad Emling gave his birth date as January 1836; he had been married 40 years, his birth place and that of his parents was Germany. He also stated that the year of his

emigration was 1856. Emma gave that she was born in September 1840 in Illinois and had been married for 40 years, her parents were both born in Germany. She also stated that she had given birth to nine children and that six of them were living. The Census stated that they owned their own home and were also landlords.

The following is a list of their children and spouses.

Frank was born 6 June 1861 and married Louise Kessler on 20 February 1883. Their children were William, Emma, Edward, Maude Wilhemina, Carl, John, Fred, Julius, Clara E., and Anna Elizabeth. Frank died in 1922.

William was born 6 June 1862 and married Emma Weis (Wise). Their children were Ella and Louis.

Mary was born in 1866 and married Charles W. Heumann on 2 August 1898. She died 24 March 1909.

Minnie was born in 1868 and married Clemons Dirlor. They had four children, Jake, Lawrence, Ben, and Vina.

Louis was born in 1873 and married Elizabeth "Lizzie" Woll born 2 March 1876. They were married on 29 March 1894. Their children were Herman Conrad, Harry Adolph, Arthur John, Henry "Chic", Louis "Toots", and Joe. Louis died in 1953 and Lizzie died 31 March 1951.

Jake was born in 1876 and married Eva C. Woll on 5 September 1899. Their children were John Lawrence, Ida Eva, William, Jake Jr., Leo Edward, Adam, Lorene, and Robert. Jake married Easter Taylor Woodson on 5 June 1958. He died 20 November 1967.

Emma Koehler Emling died on 5 July 1906 at 8:00 p.m. Her death certificate states that her place of birth was St. Clair County, Illinois. She is buried at McElvain Cemetery. A large stone marks her resting place. Conrad Emling's name is also on the stone with his birth date, but he does not rest here.

Conrad Emling left Perry County and headed west. He sent home crates of grapes and a photo of himself holding a large bunch of grapes (that picture was used in the 1988 Perry County History Book). In researching California, a family member found only one recorder who listed an Emling who died "around the year 1913". San Joaquin County, California showed a 77 year old man of German descent who died in Escalon, California. The place of burial was not filled in. The age fits with that of Conrad Emling but his final resting place is still a mystery to those of us who search. *Submitted by Martha and Clay Emling*

## EMLING-RICE

Roger Elmer Emling and Helen Marie Rice were married on 30 November 1944 after a seven year courtship. Roger was born in Perry County, Illinois on 1 September 1919, the third and middle son of John and Magdalena (Mann) Emling. Helen was born in Perry County, Du Quoin, Illinois on 25 November 1919, the fourth child and second daughter of George and Eula (Holt) Rice. Roger attended elementary school at Sacred Heart Catholic School in Du Quoin and Helen attended the West Park School and completed the eighth grade at J. B. Ward School in Du Quoin. Both graduated from Du Quoin Township High School and were graduating partners in the 1937 class. There was a 60<sup>th</sup> High School graduation reunion June 1997 in Du Quoin. Roger was deceased, but Helen and their daughter, Dianne, were able to attend.



Helen was an active member of the United Methodist Church in Du Quoin and later in Collinsville and remains so until the present time. Roger was an ardent member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin and later the Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Collinsville and remained a good and faithful Christian until our Lord called him to be with Him.



*L to R: Roger Elmer, Dianne, Helen, and Roger David Emling.*

Roger graduated from Engineering School at the University of Illinois in Urbana-Champaign, Illinois in 1944 and later in 1955, after attending Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, received his M.S. Degree in Engineering Administration. Helen worked for a number of years as a secretary and bookkeeper for the Du Quoin Insurance Agency (owned by the late G. W. Allen) and later for the Midwest Bottling Company, Du Quoin, Illinois. After serving with the armed forces during World War II, Roger was employed by the Standard Oil Company in Whiting, Indiana and later by the Monsanto Chemical Company in St. Louis, Missouri. He remained with the latter company for 35 years and retired in 1982. Helen was employed as a secretary in the Collinsville, Illinois School District Unit #10 from 1966 to 1976, after attending Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville for two years.

The Emlings made their home in Collinsville, Illinois for 50 years. Roger passed away on 28 November 1994. Roger had been a wonderful Christian husband and father for 50 years. He was a man of impeccable character and intelligence and has been missed greatly by his family and those who loved him for his goodness and integrity. The Emlings reared two children, a son and a daughter; Roger David, a bachelor, was a Chemical Engineer, having graduated from the University of Illinois in 1967, following in his father's footsteps, and he later obtained a Master's Degree in Business Administration from California State College in Long Beach, California. Roger David lived in California in several locations for 30 years and also was sent to various places by his engineering firm to Germany, New York City, Houston in Texas, San Francisco, and others. He has now taken early retirement because of ill health and is residing in an apartment in his mother's home in Collinsville, Illinois. Janis Dianne and her husband, John Robert Carenza, who is the son of Mrs. Mary Ella Carenza of Affton, Missouri and the late Joseph Carenza, Sr. established their home in St. Louis County. Both John and Dianne are graduates of Southern Illinois University-Edwardsville. Dianne has returned to full time teaching of Language and Speech Therapy after raising her family and John majored in Business Administration and is in the investment and insurance field.

John and Dianne have given Roger and Helen their only three grandchildren—Sarah Elizabeth Carenza (26 December 1975) who is a senior at Southern Illinois University, Edwardsville, Illinois and will graduate in the spring of 1998 majoring in Elementary Education. Jonathan Scott Carenza (25 October 1979) is a senior at Oakville High School in St. Louis, Missouri and is quite an athlete and hopes to make it his life's vocation. Matthew Emling Carenza (15 July 1984) is a scholar at Oakville Jr. High in St. Louis, Missouri.

Helen is still in the home at 209 Westmoreland Drive, Collinsville, Illinois, since Roger passed away in November of 1994 and went home to be with our Heavenly Father to await his family. *Submitted by Mrs. Helen Rice Emling*

## EMLING-WENZEL

Henry William (Chick) Emling, born 14 July 1903 on a farm west of Du Quoin, was the fourth son of six boys born to Louis and Elizabeth (Woll) Emling. His five brothers were Herman, Harry, Arthur, Louis, and Joseph. Henry attended the Woodward country school until the family moved to Du Quoin where he attended the public schools. As a young man he learned the machinist trade working at the Du Quoin Foundry and Machine Shop. About 1934 Henry began employment as a machinist at the Fidelity coal mine west of Du Quoin where he worked until retirement in 1968. During the late 1940s and early 50s, Henry served on the Du Quoin City Council as street commissioner. He was for many years a member of the Du Quoin Elks Club.



*L to R: Alvina (Wenzel) and Henry W. Emling.*

Alvina Wenzel, born 16 June 1902 in Bohemia, was the second of seven children born to Joseph and Alvina (Prochaska) Wenzel. Her siblings were Marie, Margaret, Bertha, Louis, Irving, and James. At the age of three, Alvina immigrated to the United States with her parents and three sisters. Her family lived in Glen Carbon, Illinois, Du Quoin, Pinckneyville, and St. Louis. Alvina attended public schools in Du Quoin and Pinckneyville. Alvina was a home maker and long time member of the Perry County Home Extension.

Henry and Alvina were married 5 March 1927. They lived in Du Quoin all their married life. They attended the E. & R. United Church of Christ. They had one son, Dale Henry, born 30 September 1932. Dale attended Du Quoin public schools.

On 24 July 1954 Dale married Shirley Elaine Longshore, born 14 November 1932, daughter of Du Quoin residents S. Howard and Blanche L. (Wheatley) Longshore. Shirley attended Du Quoin public schools and graduated high school with Dale in 1950. Dale and Shirley are retired and presently live in Bella Vista, Arkansas.

Henry and Alvina have four grandchildren: Debra Lynn Kennedy, born 15 July 1956. She lives with her husband Larry D. in Jasper, Alabama; Brian Dale, born 7 September 1957 is married to Lorinda Bailey and they live in Oregon; Jeffery William, born 20 December 1958, lives in Arlington, Virginia; and Elizabeth Elaine Cox, born 5 April 1966, lives with her husband Andrew David in Denver, Colorado.

Alvina died 8 November 1974 and Henry died 19 November 1990. Both are buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery.

## EMLING-WOLL

Louis Emling (Conrad 1<sup>st</sup>) was the fifth son of Conrad and Emma (Koehler) Emling (See Emling-Koehler). He was born in Perry County, Illinois in 1873 and died in Union County, Illinois in 1953. He worked many years at the Du Quoin ice plant. He married Elizabeth "Lizzie" Woll in Perry County on 29 March 1894. She was born 2 March 1876, the daughter of Adam and Carolina "Lena" (Schumacher) Woll and the granddaughter of Michael Schumacher from Bavaria and his wife Catherine who was born in Switzerland. Lizzie died 31 March 1951.



*L to R Back Row: Henry (Chic), Arthur, Harry, Louis, Jr. (Toots) L to R Front Row: Herman, Lizzie and Louis Emling, Joe.*

Louis and Lizzie were the parents of six sons. Herman Conrad was born 16 December 1876 and married Lula Bishop in Belleville on 18 September 1913. Their children were Louis Bishop Emling who was born and died in 1919 and Bessie Ruth Emling who was born 1 February 1926 and married Robert J. Hastings on 1 April 1945. Herman died on 8 June 1981.

Harry Adolph was born 17 January 1896, died 8 October 1989, and married Osa Jane Foster on 6 April 1918. They had seven children. Harry James was born 7 May 1919 and married Ruby Marie Enioe and later married Louise Felts Edmonds. Paul was born in 1922 and died in 1926. Annie Elizabeth was born in 1924 and died in 1926. Elmer Cletus was born in 1927 and married Mary Lou Brock on 18 November 1949. Elmer died in 1984. Mary Ida was born on 26 December 1930 and married Benjamin H. Wright. Robert Bernard was born 30 April 1934 and married Phyllis Joan Shoemaker. Joyce Elaine was born 27 July 1939 and married Paul Gilbert Kujawa on 29 February 1992.

Arthur John was born 11 July 1900, died 11 June 1948, and married Grace Bird on 4 September 1918. Together they had three children. Russel Arthur Emling was born 28 July 1919 and married Lena Mae Gillis on 28 June 1938. Velma Lucille Emling was born 9 February 1923 and married Earl Devor on 22 August 1941. Velma



died on 8 December 1994. Leo Vincent Emling was born 13 October 1925.

Henry William "Chic" was born 14 July 1903 and married Alvina Wenzel. Together they had a son, Dale Henry Emling, who married Shirley Longshore. Henry died 19 November 1990.

Louis "Toots" Emling, Jr. was born 1 November 1905 and married Catherine Ridgeway on 27 March 1926. They had two daughters. Verda Mae Emling was first married to Francis Myers and then to Hugh McNair. Joan Elizabeth Emling married Thomas Edward "Eddie" Coleman. Louis died in 1968.

Joseph Emling was born 22 January 1909 and married Louise "Lula" Wendling on 10 April 1928. They had two daughters. Betty Lou Emling first married Horace Gene Sims and then Thomas Moss. Evelyn Anita Emling was married to Robert E. Hawkins and later married Galen Schickendanz. Joseph died on 13 October 1951. Lula later married Alfred Malzahn.

The following article was published in the Du Quoin Evening call on 4 March 1937: Mrs. Louis Emling, Sr., of this city was pleasantly surprised Tuesday evening when all of her six sons, Herman, Harry, Arthur, Henry, Louis, Jr., and Joe Emling with their families arrived at the parental home about six o'clock with well-prepared baskets of food to assist in celebrating her 61<sup>st</sup> birthday anniversary. Twenty-seven members of the family partook of a most delightful meal after which all repaired to the living room where they were entertained the remainder of the evening with a program of old time and popular music rendered by the Emling brothers on the violin, guitar, accordion, and harmonica. The affair was a most enjoyable one. *Submitted by Clay and Martha Emling*

## ENGELHARDT-BALLHEIMER

John Adam Engelhardt was born in Baiern, Germany on 18 August 1856. He came to the United States when he was 16. He met Dorothea Marie Kinzel who was born on 11 June 1861 and the couple was married in 1884. Nine children were born to the Engelhardts. John died in 1914 and Dorothea died 16 February 1942. John Adam Engelhardt was the youngest child. Adam was born on 21 March 1906 in Perry County south of Pinckneyville. He was a coal miner and a farmer.



*Adam and Lorraine Engelhardt.*

Lorraine Ballheimer (25 August 1907) was born to William Ballheimer (3 October 1879-13 December 1948) and Dorothea Elizabeth (Dora) Jung (20 August 1880-23 May 1968). Lorraine had one sister and three brothers.

Adam and Lorraine were married 8 October 1932 at the Pinckneyville United Church of Christ parsonage. They were active, life-long members

of the church. They celebrated sixty-five years of marriage. They died at their home. Adam died 12 December 1997 and Lorraine died 3 February 1998. Internment was at Galum Cemetery.

Adam and Lorraine had three children, Irma (27 July 1933), Bernita (28 November 1936), and Francis (12 December 1938).

Irma married Roy Dean Bigham on 27 September 1952. Their children include Donald (13 November 1953), Roy Allen (3 May 1955), Jeanne (11 August 1958), and Greg (5 April 1961). Don, an attorney, is married to Gwen Crews and they have one daughter, Sara (3 February 1988). Allen, a farmer, is married to Tena Edwards. Allen has one son, Catlin (23 October 1984). Jeanne, an attorney, is married to Rodger Heaton. They live in Rochester, Illinois and have four children: Jill (8 June 1984), Olivia (14 January 1987), Jessica (22 November 1988), and Mark (24 October 1994). Greg, a farmer, is married to Cheryl Place and they have three daughters: Macy (27 March 1988), Holly (22 July 1992), and Taylor (7 July 1994).

Bernita married Kenneth Wild on 18 September 1954. They have four children: Linda (23 July 1956), Vickie (13 August 1957), Larry (18 June 1962), and Donna (13 December 1965). Linda is married to Ross Eisenhauer and they have two sons, Bryan (23 October 1979) and Dustin (23 July 1983). Larry married Lisa Guilford and they have a daughter, Morgan (26 December 1994).

Francis married Janette Keene on 11 January 1957. They reside in Birmingham, Michigan. They have two daughters, Sherry (14 September 1958) and Amy (11 September 1961). Sherry was married and has a son, George Brooks (4 January 1994).

## EPPLIN-KELLERMAN

Lawrence Epplin, born 24 September 1917 at Pinckneyville, was the sixth child of Joe J. and Elizabeth (Miller) Epplin. Lawrence was married 2 May 1944 at Pinckneyville to Theresa Kellerman born 1 June 1923 in Perry County, the daughter of Adam and Anna (Ledendecker) Kellerman. Lawrence and Theresa have six children: Mary Ann, William L., David J., Leroy E., Loretta E., and Donna M. (see Joe Epplin-Miller)

Mary Ann, born 13 November 1945 at Pinckneyville was married 22 October 1966 at Pinckneyville to Michael J. Cushman, born 2 August at Chester, Illinois, a son of Bernard and Fern (Chovis) Cushman. They have four children: Michelle Lynn born 14 July 1967 at Pinckneyville, Mary Carina born 31 July 1968 at Springfield, Illinois, Michael Joseph born 6 February 1973 at Granite City, and Marcia Ann born 13 April 1975 at Sparta, Illinois.

William L., born 16 January 1949 at Red Bud, was married 21 July 1973 at Sparta to Carol Ann Hedin, born 22 October, a daughter of Robert and Rosalee (Brunk) Hedin. They have one child, Denise K., born 16 September 1975 at Sparta.

David J. was born 22 January 1953 at Red Bud, Illinois, Leroy E. was born 6 October 1954 at Du Quoin, Loretta E. was born 21 October 1957 at Pinckneyville, and Donna M. was born 15 August 1965 at Pinckneyville. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## EPPLIN-MILLER

Elizabeth M. Miller was born 7 March 1899 at Pinckneyville, the first child of George and Mary

Ann (Bruns) Miller. She was married on 26 October 1921 to Louis Epplin born 18 July 1894 at Pinckneyville, a son of Joseph and Adeline (Kentschi) Epplin. They had nine children: Aloysius Joseph, Genevieve Mary, Cecelia Amelia, Richard John, Louis Frank, Georgirene, Rita, Elizabeth Jane, and James Thomas. Elizabeth died 23 October 1957 at Pinckneyville. Louis then married Angela (Hulsmann) Kuehn and died 14 October 1971. Elizabeth and Louis are both buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery in Pinckneyville. (see Miller-Bruns)

Aloysius J., born 13 February 1923 in Perry County, was married on 14 May 1955 at Du Quoin, Illinois to Verna Siebert. They had three children: David Allen born and died 17 November 1955, Daniel Wayne born 28 April 1960, and Cynthia Ann born 3 August 1962. Cynthia married Merkel and had one son, Kyle Dean. Aloysius died 30 July 1988 at Paducah, Kentucky and is buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery in Du Quoin.

Cecelia, born 29 July 1962 at Pinckneyville, was married on 18 July 1953 at Pinckneyville to August Ludwig Voytas, born 18 August 1923 at Coulterville, a son of Joseph and Mary (Sirotar) Voytas. They have four children: Bernell Allen, Victoria LuGene, Karla Kay, and Donna Lynn.

Genevieve M. was born 26 October 1924 and never married. She died 2 May 1978 in St. Louis and was buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Richard J., born 22 February 1929 at Pinckneyville, was married on 14 June 1956 at Pinckneyville to Shirley Ann E. McCauley, born 10 April 1935 at Coulterville, a daughter of Robert Ward and Margaret M. (Muehlhauser) McCauley. They had two children: Mary Ann born 15 April 1958 and Janice born 17 June 1960, both at Pinckneyville. They are both married and have children. Richard died 29 May 1990 at Sparta, Illinois and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Louis Frank was born 2 January 1931 at Pinckneyville.

Georgirene, born 16 November 1932 at Pinckneyville, was married on 28 May 1955 at Pinckneyville to Frank Daniel Brazinski, born 22 June 1925 in Lively Grove Township, Washington County, a son of John Louis and Helen (Augustine) Brazinski. They have six children: Frank Daniel born 4 October 1956, Jeanne Ellen born 29 January 1958, Elaine E. born 7 August 1959, Mark Louis born 18 January 1961, James Michael born 19 September 1962, and John Albert born 21 May 1964, all in Red Bud, Illinois.

Rita, born 19 September 1935 at Pinckneyville, was married on 23 January 1960 at Wellston, Missouri to John Hoff, born 24 January 1935 at Fayetteville, Illinois, a son of Oliver and Bernadine (Stein) Hoff. They have two children: Elizabeth born 17 November 1962 and Tom born 29 March 1965, both at St. Louis.

Elizabeth Jane was born 22 November 1937.

James T., born 16 September 1941 was married on 28 October 1967 at Lemay, Missouri to Julia Rose Leissing, born 2 April 1946 at St. Louis, a daughter of Henry J. and Viola (Meyer) Leissing. They have one son, David Mark, who was born 31 July 1968 at Sparta. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## JOE EPPLIN-MILLER

Elizabeth Miller, born 16 May 1886 at Pinckneyville, was the seventh child of John and



Maria E. (Schwartz) Miller. She was married on 15 October 1907 at Pinckneyville to Joe J. Epplin, born 10 February 1883 in rural Pinckneyville, a son of Victor and Mary (Eisenhauer) Epplin. They had seven children: Joseph, Jr., Bertha, Theresa, William, Gertrude, Lawrence, and Martha. Elizabeth died 20 August 1958 at St. Louis, Missouri, and Joe died 21 June 1961 at Pinckneyville. Both are buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Pinckneyville. (see Miller-Schwartz)

Joseph, Jr. was born 2 July 1908 and died 5 July 1908. He is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Bertha, born 3 October 1909 in Perry County, was married on 23 August 1932 at Pinckneyville to Albert Loos, born 2 April 1910 at Pinckneyville, a son of Peter and Molly (Bummersheim) Loos. They had seven children: Florence Maria, Bernice Magdalene, Clarence J., Albert Lawrence, Charles P., Ralph E., and Monica Ann. Albert died 8 April 1967 and Bertha died 3 November 1989 at Pinckneyville. They are both buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery. (see Loos-Epplin)

Theresa, born 17 July 1911 in Perry County, Illinois, was married on 28 September 1932 at Pinckneyville to Edward C. Brand, born 14 February 1910 in Perry County, a son of Christian and Mary (Zacheral) Brand. They have seven children: Elizabeth, Edward J., Theresa Ann, Joseph A., Mary, Marguerite, and James C. (see Brand-Epplin)

William was born 2 October 1913 and died 4 October 1913. He is buried at St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Gertrude, born 7 December 1914 at Pinckneyville, was married on 17 May 1937 at Pinckneyville to Wayne Rheinecker, born 2 January 1914 at Steeleville, Illinois, a son of August and Annie V. (Brand) Rheinecker. They had three children: Alene, Ann Gertrude (see Volume 1 page 239), and Michael. Gertrude died before 1989. (see Rheinecker-Epplin)

Lawrence, born 24 September 1917 at Pinckneyville, was married 2 May 1944 at Pinckneyville to Theresa Kellerman, born 1 June 1923 in Perry County, a daughter of Adam and Anna (Ledendecker) Kellerman. Lawrence and Theresa have six children: Mary Ann, William L., David J., Leroy E., Loretta E., and Donna M. (see Epplin-Kellerman)

Martha, born 13 November 1919 in Perry County, Illinois, was married on 28 September 1943 at Pinckneyville to Floyd Stern, born 13 August 1919 at Pinckneyville, a son of Joe and Rose (Magerkurth) Stern. They had one son Lloyd. Floyd died 22 May 1977 and Martha died before 1989. Both are buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Lloyd, born 10 August 1945 at Red Bud, was married on 29 April 1972 at Pinckneyville to Linda Sroka, born 28 September 1952 at Pinckneyville, a daughter of Andy and Rosella (Heisner) Sroka. They have two children: Nathan James born 8 April 1974 and Eric J. born 26 December 1976, both at Chester, Illinois. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## EUBANKS-MOODY

A postscript to the article written in the Perry County History Book, page 103 referring to William W. Barber-Eliza Mills Family History, page 36 submitted by Dorothy (Eubanks) Nicolaides, older sister of Ellsworth (Edison) Eubanks.

Dorothy is deceased and her son, Henry, has moved back to Carbondale. He has opened a Chi-

ropractic Office in Carbondale with wife Cheryl. Older son, Ian, is going to Chiropractic school in St. Louis that his father attended. Cheryl trained at a school in Houston.

Ellsworth is also deceased (24 June 1990). Although we married a week after meeting, we remained together until his death. I reside in Du Quoin and now have Parkinson disease. Since the first History Book, I (Eileen) have been accepted in DAR through the Bird family. My grandfather, George Bird, was the connection.



*Eileen Moody and Ellsworth Eubanks.*

My daughter, Julie Mae, was divorced and has one son, Keith Alan Pyron. Later she married Bill Clark who died after 11 months of marriage. Julie works as an accountant. She is married to Michael McKinney and lives in Christopher, Illinois. Julie has two granddaughters, Ashlee and Wendi, and a grandson, Dylan Keith. Like me, she likes to read but also has a talent for crafts when she has time.

Son, Duane Ellsworth, was not married at the time of the last History Book, was married on 27 December 1992 to Evelyn Faye Herrick from Franklin, Nebraska. They met at Thanksgiving in Dallas, where she was living with a son, Monte White, by a former marriage. Duane, a mining engineer, is living and working in Indonesia in Borneo. He and Evelyn get stateside for a month once a year and time off for occasional rest and relaxation when time permits and is needed.

Monte is in Texas A & M College at Bryan, Texas.

Duane is known as Odie, a nickname from high school basketball teammates. Duane likes most all sports, hunting and fishing, but is forced to rely on golf in Indonesia. *Submitted by Eileen Moody Eubanks*

## EWING-SCHRADER

Jack Ewing, son of the late George and Ollie Ewing, was raised in Browns, Illinois where he attended elementary school and Edwards County High School in Albion, Illinois. He is the youngest of four children. In his youth, he worked at a local awning factory and was a corn detasseler. He then worked for the United States Postal Service in Chicago at the Midway Airport. Later, he spent many years as a Postal Clerk on the Louisville/Nashville Railroad, sorting mail on a daily run from St. Louis to Nashville, Tennessee. When the railroad phased out of the mail business, Jack transferred to the main Post Office in St. Louis, Missouri and then at Lambert Field sorting air mail. It was through his career there, he met Wilma Schrader, a daughter of the late William T. and Clara Schrader of the rural Conant area. (See family history on page 304 and 305 of the Volume I Perry County History Book).



*Jack and Wilma Ewing.*

The Schraders lived in the Van Brunt school district. Wilma was the fifth child of seven children, and after working early in her life at the International Shoe Factory of Steeleville, Illinois, for a few years in the late 1940s, she went to St. Louis, Missouri and worked for the Rexall Drug Company. Later she became employed by the United States Postal Service, and met Jack at the airport terminal sorting mail. They were married on 2 October 1972 and lived in Creve Coeur, Missouri. When they reached their retirement goals, they yearned for a small town atmosphere and settled in the Oxbow Subdivision west of Pinckneyville in 1994. They busy themselves with their large lawn and garden, as well as church work, and travel a bit when they desire.

## FEIK-DAVIS

Martha Marie (Davis) Feik born near Crenshaw Crossing north of Marion, Illinois in Williamson County is the oldest of the four children of William A. and Nellie P. (Throgmorton) Davis. Marie has one sister living; she is Mrs. Betsy D. Smith of St. Louis, Missouri. A brother, Dr. John W. Davis of Blacksburg, Virginia, passed away 1 February 1998, and a sister, Mrs. Mary R. Thomas of Pinckneyville, passed away 16 March 1998.

Early in life Marie decided to become a schoolteacher. This meant attending Marion High School until graduating in 1933 and then going on to college at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Financial circumstances forced Marie to take a two year course in college and begin teaching rather than staying in college for a four year degree. Years later in 1965 after taking night classes, college correspondence courses, and attending several Summer sessions, Marie got her B.S. degree in education from Southern Illinois University.

In 1936 Marie began her teaching career in Perry County at the one room Round Prairie School north of Pinckneyville. While teaching there, Marie met William "Billy" Feik. They were married in 1939 and Marie moved to Perry County in 1940 and has lived here ever since. In 1945 a son Lance was born to Billy and Marie Feik. William Feik passed away in 1978.

Marie's teaching career, besides Round Prairie School includes four years at La Master School north of Marion in Williamson County, five years at Cross School, nine years at Nation School, and ending with 17 years at Community Consolidated School #212. In 1960 Nation School district along with the Wylie, Duncan, and Eicholz districts were combined into Community Consolidated School #212. Marie Feik was named as principal of the



new school and later Superintendent and remained in that position until her retirement from teaching in 1976.

In the 17 years of teaching at Community Consolidated #212, Marie would like to mention the names of some teachers she had the privilege of working with. Their names are: Miss Irene Mentel, Mrs. Zelma Jones, Mrs. Pernie Hensley, Mrs. Regina Grabowski, Mr. Dennis Wuehler, Mr. David Dickey, Mr. George Hopkins, Jr., and Mrs. Sue Ibendahl.

During her 36 years of teaching Marie met many intelligent, kind, polite, and lovable students who became a part of her life. Marie has never regretted becoming a teacher. Both her mother and her brother were teachers.

Since retiring Marie has used her time to catch up on reading the better authors and Bible reading. She also spends time on embroidery of pillowcases and quilt blocks. She has recently become a member of the First Apostolic Church in Pinckneyville.

## FISH-LONGSHORE

Robert David Fish is the youngest child of Herbert C. Fish and Regina Katherine (Stone) Fish. He was born 26 February 1956 in Pasadena, California and has four siblings, Herbert Paul Fish (deceased), Charles Edmund Fish (deceased), James Raymond Fish (deceased), and Regina Katherine (Fish) Starostki who lives in Florissant, Missouri. Bob's family originated in the St. Louis area. When he was eight years old, the family left California to return to St. Louis where he grew up in Ferguson, Missouri. Bob began his career as a Paramedic with St. Louis City Emergency Medical Service where he met his wife Lisa Kay (Longshore) Fish. They were united in marriage on 15 October 1988 at the First Presbyterian Church in Du Quoin.



L to R Back Row: Matthew J., Robert D., and Lisa Kay Fish L to R Front Row: Jonathan P. and Elizabeth C. Fish.

Lisa Kay (Longshore) Fish is the only daughter of Leon LaVern Longshore and Carolyn Kay (West) Longshore. She was born 11 January 1963 and raised in Du Quoin. After graduation from Du Quoin High School, she attended Nursing School at Jewish Hospital School of Nursing in St. Louis, Missouri. After graduation she worked at several facilities as a Trauma Nurse Specialist. She met her husband during a busy evening in the emergency department of St. Louis Regional Medical Center and they have been together since. Bob now owns Southern Illinois Media Marketing and Lisa works as a department director for Crossroads Community Hospital in Mt. Vernon.

Having lived in several communities in the bi-state area, Bob and Lisa now make their home in Du Quoin. They are the parents of four chil-

dren. Matthew Joseph Fish (30 July 1977) is a machinist and lives in St. Louis. Jonathan Phillip Fish (27 February 1980) is a senior at Du Quoin High School and is anticipating joining the Navy after graduation. Jonathan has been very active in athletics during high school. His 1997 football team made it to the Final Four in the playoffs for the State Title game. Elizabeth Catherine Fish (25 November 1981) is a sophomore at Du Quoin High School and wants to attend medical school after graduation. Elizabeth is also an active athlete who enjoys softball, volleyball, swimming, and is a qualified life guard. Connor Edmund Fish was stillborn 30 November 1996 and is interred at Sunset Memorial Park.

## FISHER-POIROT

John Thomas (Tom) Fisher was born on 1 October 1905 in Tamaroa, Illinois. He was the third of six sons and two daughters, born to Joseph and Melissa Pugh Fisher. His brothers were Harry, Charles, Frank, George, and Lee. His sisters were Marie Fisher Feltmeyer and Melissa. Their mother died during childbirth with their sister, Melissa. Frank, who resides in Marissa, Illinois, is the only surviving sibling.



Arillia and Tom Fisher.

When their mother died in 1921, Tom went to live with a family in Belleville to earn his board and keep. He had to quit school at an early age to live. His father could not afford to raise so many children. Their dad died in 1931.

Tom met Arillia Mae Poirot of Belleville, Illinois. Months later, on 15 February 1928, Tom and Arillia were married in Tamaroa. They had six children, James Julius (Jim), Thomas Kent (Jack), Betty Ann (now Rooney), Daniel Lee, Ann Merre (now Schubert), and Katherine Julia (now Sweitzer). The six children are all surviving.

Tom and Arillia lived in a few places in Illinois before moving to California for a couple years. When they returned to Illinois, they moved to Kaskaskia Island. Two of the vivid stories they told were of Tom walking across the frozen Mississippi to get to Chester. Another was of all the many floods and the frightening boat rides through the high water to go to Chester. They made many friends on the Island before finally tiring of the struggle with the floods. They moved to Tamaroa in 1947 when Kathy was just a few months old.

Tom was a farmer and a foundry worker. In those days, you did almost any work one could find to support a family. In the 1950s, he became foreman of Keene Housemoving Company in Pinckneyville and worked there until his death. Arillia established the school cafeteria at the new St. Bruno's School in the early 1950s and was head cook there for many years. Father McCormick

was then pastor of St. Bruno's. Arillia later became a nurse's aide at Pinckneyville Community Hospital.

Tom and Arillia moved to a more rural farm, west of Tamaroa in the early 1970s. It was on their farm that "Air Illinois" plane crashed on 11 November 1983, killing all eleven people on board. Life was never the same for the Fisher family, nor for many other families. It was a tragedy that affected much of Perry County.

Tom died 19 May 1984. Arillia died 24 October 1987. The descendants of Tom and Arillia, besides the six children, are twenty grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Jim and Ann live in Tamaroa. Jack lives in Perryville, Missouri. Betty has a home in Moro, Illinois. Dan lives in Cape Girardeau, Missouri (Dutchtown), and Kathy has a home in Cobden, Illinois. Submitted by Kathy Sweitzer

## FLOOD-COMMEAN

Phyllis Elaine "Jimmie" Commean was born 24 April 1928 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She is the daughter of Wilbur Elmer and Virginia Ruth (Reiss) Commean. She married Ira Richard Flood in the Christian Church of Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois on 9 June 1946. Ira was born 21 July 1925 in West Frankfort, Franklin County, Illinois. He is the son of Ernest Melton and Wilma Florence (Pistole) Flood of West Frankfort. Phyllis lived at 109 South Mulberry Street in Du Quoin before she was married. Phyllis and Ira have lived in West Frankfort for the last 52 years. Phyllis and Ira are members of the Northern Baptist Church. Ira is the Chairman of the Trustee Board and Phyllis is a Deaconess. Ira and Phyllis like to travel and have visited Europe, Alaska, Canada, Mexico, the Bahamas, and Hawaii.



Phyllis Elaine (Commean) and Ira Richard Flood.

Children of Phyllis Commean and Ira Flood are: James Richard Flood, born 8 March 1947 and Susan Jane Flood, born 28 October 1949. Both were born in Du Quoin. James Richard Flood married Catherine Marie Sledz on 25 January 1969 in Oaklawn, Illinois. She is the daughter of Henry and Maryann Sledz, currently of Gurnee, Illinois. Catherine was born on 18 April 1947. Cathy and Richard each earned their Masters degrees from the University of Illinois, and currently reside in Champaign, Illinois.

Children of James Richard Flood and Catherine Marie Sledz are: Rachel Marie Flood, born 30 October 1977 and Brian Richard Flood, born 8 July 1980. Both were born and reside in Champaign, Illinois. Rachel is in her junior year at the University of Illinois. Brian is a senior in high school.

Susan Jane Flood married Ronald Mark Wall on 8 June 1974 in West Frankfort, Illinois, where



they now live. Susan earned her Masters degree in education at the University of Illinois. Mark earned his Masters degree in Education at Southern Illinois University. Mark is the son of Jewell and Ernestine (Wright) Wall of West Frankfort, Illinois. Mark was born on 25 July 1952.

Child of Susan Flood and Mark Wall is Megan Flood Wall, born 21 June 1979 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Megan is a student at the University of Missouri at Rolla, Missouri.

## FOENS/FONES-LIVELY

John A. Foens was born 17 November 1807 in Prussia and died 17 June 1893 in Perry County, Illinois. He married Lydia Lively who was born 25 February 1812 in St. Clair County, Illinois and died 15 February 1855 in Perry County, Illinois. She was the daughter of James Lively and Elizabeth Woodstock. John and Lydia were buried at the Foens Cemetery. When the coal mines bought the farm, their graves were moved to Cutler Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois.



*The Foens/Fones-Lively Family.*

John and Lydia's children and spouses are: Mary Elizabeth was born 1 April 1843 and married Middleton (Max) Bigham. John Rolf was born 9 August 1847 in Cutler, Perry County, Illinois and died 21 January 1904 in Randolph County, Illinois. His wife was Elizabeth Henretta Vorderburg who was born 3 January 1868 in Steeleville, Randolph County, Illinois and died 9 April 1932. She was the daughter of Henry Voderbrugge and Charlotte Longcamp of Germany. John and Elizabeth's children and their spouses are: Albert George was born 16 March 1888 and died 23 July 1970. His wife was Opal Maude Taylot who was born 20 December 1895 and died February 1967. Mary Etta was born 16 March 1888 and died 16 July 1930. Her husband was Frank Lee Heine who was born 17 August 1885 and died 22 November 1942. He died from a car and train accident at Pyatt railroad crossing in Perry County, Illinois. Mary and Frank are buried at Cottom Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Their children and spouses are: Gladys Lucille was born 9 October 1909 and died 11 July 1987. On 1 November 1930 Gladys married Herschel Bird who was born 13 April 1905 and died 9 February 1974. Everett L. was born 31 March 1912. On 18 November 1942, he married Marie R. Malinski who was born 5 September 1924. Albert L. was born 15 October 1914 and married Imal B. Smith on 21 September 1935. William F. was born 30 March 1917 and married Lillie Byer on 10 May 1947. Bertha M. was born 20 August 1920 and married Howard McNuly who was born 15 October 1915. They died 29 November 1942 from a car and train accident. Ruth May was born 14 May 1930.

John William was born 18 February 1891 in Cutler, Perry County, Illinois and died 27 October 1977 in Randolph County, Illinois. On 1 January 1912, he married Nancy Jane Roberts who was born 13 May 1896 in Perry County, Illinois and died 20 July 1963. Edward Fiffer was born 26 April 1894 and married Ethel Johnson on 25 December 1917. Herbert Harrison was born 26 April 1894 and died in December 1965 at Galesburg, Illinois. Lydia May was born 26 May 1896 and died 2 October 1977 in West Virginia. Her husband was Carl Dickson. Lyman Elmer was born 24 December 1899 and died 24 June 1935 in Galesburg, Illinois. Rosetta Pearl was born 4 March 1902 and died 1 January 1983 in Galesburg, Illinois. Her husband was Willard Dwight Morgan who was born 14 May 1899 and died 16 December 1982. They were married 4 February 1921. Roberta Irene was born 16 July 1904 and on 8 August 1925 she married Lester Gaddis.

Sarah Margaret was born 17 November 1849 in Cutler, Illinois and died 7 February 1934. She is buried at Cutler Cemetery. She married Robert Foster Wilson on 27 July 1870. Maria Jane was born 3 September 1853 and died 3 March 1854. She is buried at Foens Cemetery. When the coal mines bought the farm, her grave was moved with her parents John and Lydia Foens. *Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings*

## FONTANA-DAL SANTO

Guerino (Bill) Fontana was born in Forni, Italy, on 4 November 1878, the son of Valentino and Elizabetta (Fabretto) Fontana. Linda Dal Santo was born in Velo d'Astico on 9 April 1886, the daughter of Domenico and Giuseppina (Sandona) Dal Santo. Both villages of origin are located at the foot of the mountains in the province of Vicenza in northeastern Italy.

Guerino lived in Tonezza, a nearby mountain village, for a time before he left Italy. He and his only siblings, two brothers, Giovanni and Guiseppe, built a stone house with three apartments at that time. Linda had a twin brother, Lindo, and a sister named Augusta and unknown other siblings. Her family was in the tailoring business, and Linda, when young, did fancy hand-work on cassocks for priests in Italy.

Guerino immigrated to the United States, arriving in New York City on 28 March 1902, with his brother, Giovanni. They sailed from Le Havre, France, aboard the S.S. Savoia for 6 days, and each had \$30 and intentions of joining a cousin and finding employment as miners.

After their arrival in New York City, they moved on to work in Ohio. They were joined there by other men from their birthplace, among those a friend, Alberto Canale; but most of them eventually returned to Italy. Alberto also returned to Italy, and kept books until his death for Guerino's small plot of land on a mountainside in Tonezza.

Guerino came to Pinckneyville to work as a miner; he was listed in the 1910 census as being a 30 year old single man residing there as a boarder. In 1913, Linda immigrated to the United States and they were married in a civil ceremony on 27 December 1913! (On 6 July 1935, they were married in St. Bruno's Catholic Church by Father Joseph Fontana, SVD.)

Guerino worked as a coal miner for about 30 years. Linda kept busy rearing their seven surviving children. As a hobby, Guerino was quite

adept in the art of grafting and pruning grapevines, and making wine from those grapes. Linda's children remember her as being quite generous, even to the point of giving their last bit of food to a passing tramp.

Two of Guerino's children have died. Albert died on 3 November 1972, and Val died on 4 January 1993. (see page 109 of Volume 1 Perry County History Book) *Submitted by Donna (Fontana) Watson*

## FONTANA-DEMPSEY

Albert Fontana was born in Pinckneyville on 28 September 1922 to Guerino "William" (1878-1952) and Linda (Dal Santo) Fontana (1866-1958). His parents came to America from Tonezza, a village in the mountains of Italy and settled on the west edge of Pinckneyville in the Diamond Town area.



*L to R: Dennis, Albert, Donna, and Irene Fontana.*

Albert was one of eight children. He had two brothers—his twin Lindo, who died at six months of age, and Valentine, who married Marcella Epplin. He had five sisters: Marie, who married Fred LaRowe; Elizabeth, who married Willard Johnson; Felicita, who married James Kellerman; and Pauline, who married Charles Phillips, all of the Pinckneyville area; and Mabel who married Stanley Chwasczinski of Nashville. Albert attended the nearby Beaucoup School and then went to St. Bruno Catholic School for eighth grade. As a boy, he worked at the local sawmill. Later, he joined the Army around 1942. About a year later he developed Hodgkins Disease and was discharged. Upon returning home he began work at the Forest City Garment Factory in Pinckneyville.

Lillian Irene Dempsey was born 2 September 1926 in Rice, Illinois to Leonard (1888-1943) and Pearl (1891-1989). She was the youngest of four children, with two sisters, Mildred Mae (1910), who married Robert Millikin of Pinckneyville; and Georgia (1912-1913), who died in infancy. She had one brother, Enloe (1915-1970), who married Grace Vancil of Du Quoin.

Irene attended schools in the Rice-Nashville area until 1934 when her family moved to Pinckneyville where she attended grade and high schools.

In 1943, she began working at the garment factory in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Here she met Albert. They were married on 9 May 1950 in Pinckneyville. To this union was born four children: Dennis, who married Jane Reidelberger and lives in Pinckneyville, Illinois; Donna, who married Peter Watson and lives in St. Louis, Missouri; Anthony (Tony), who married Kathryn Jenkel and lives in Carbondale, Illinois; Rita, who married Joel McIntyre, and lives in Pinckneyville, Illinois.



Irene stopped working at the factory after marrying to devote her time to raising their family. She also worked out of her home as a seamstress.

Albert worked until 1958 before retiring due to his disability. Albert passed away at the John Cochran Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri on 3 November 1972 and burial took place at St. Bruno Catholic Cemetery outside of Pinckneyville, Illinois.

After being widowed for two years, Irene went to work at the local hospital as a nurse assistant, where she worked for twelve years. After that, she worked briefly for Bridal Originals in Sparta. She later worked for some years as a caregiver for elderly or disabled people. She retired from that and keeps busy at home with sewing, reading, and caring for grandchildren. She has three granddaughters: Sarah Fontana and Tara and Noelle McIntyre.

## FRANCOIS-KELLERMAN

D. Michael Francois, as of this writing, is still employed at a local coal mine although many mines have scaled back their work force or completely closed mainly due to the high sulfur content in Southern Illinois coal. Mike loves to bowl and play golf. Margaret Ann (Kellerman) Francois has become involved in the Marshall Browning Hospital Auxiliary, The Du Quoin Garden Club, VFW Ladies Auxiliary, Du Quoin Lions Club where she serves as Second vice-president, member of Sacred-Heart School Board where she serves as Secretary, Homemakers Education Association, and The Perry County Historical Society where she is serving as chairperson of this history book project. Marge's hobbies include: flower gardening, reading, cooking, bird watching and listening to music.

Marge is the oldest daughter and second child of James Henry and Felicita (Fontana) Kellerman. James passed away on 29 January 1992 at Pinckneyville Community Hospital. He is buried in Todd's Mill Cemetery, Nashville, Illinois. After James' death, Felicita moved from the family farm in Rice, Illinois to Pinckneyville, Illinois. (see KELLERMAN-FONTANA in Volume I, page 186)

Marge's siblings are Stephen James, Marietta Linda, and Timothy Joseph. Stephen married Ruth Ann Suedmeyer. Andrea Michelle was born to Stephen James and Ruth Ann Kellerman on 21 August 1988 in Washington County Hospital, Nashville, Illinois. Mark Alan Kellerman, oldest son of Stephen and Ruth, has taken after his dad in his love of the Thresherman Show and related activities. Stephen later died of leukemia on 5 March 1995 and is buried in Nashville, Illinois.

Marietta Linda (Kellerman) Fann, the third child of James and Felicita Kellerman is married to Danny Fann. Their children Erin Elizabeth Fann graduated from Pinckneyville High School as Valedictorian with the Class of 1998 and will attend the University of Illinois, Champaign beginning August 1998. Todd Daniel, their son, graduated from St. Bruno's Grade School, Pinckneyville, Illinois and will attend Pinckneyville High School beginning fall of 1998. (see FANN-KELLERMAN in Volume I, page 104).

Timothy Joseph Kellerman, the youngest of the Kellerman children married Dana (Fisk) Renner on 23 September 1995. Dana had a son Dustin Allen Renner born 17 November 1987. Tim

and Dana had their first child, Jaqueline Marie, on 30 April 1997. Tim and Dana now live on the Kellerman home place in Rice, Illinois.

Mike and Marge have two children. Melanie Ann being the oldest just finished her first year of college at Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois, where she made the Dean's List. James Michael graduated from Sacred Heart Grade School and will be attending Du Quoin High School beginning September of 1998. James is very active in sports, especially baseball. (see FRANCOIS-KELLERMAN, in Volume I, page 111). Correction on page 111 - Mike's paternal grandmother is Naomi (Schaubert) Francois.

These last ten years have been a mixture of good and bad for the Francois' as life always is. So it is with anticipation and excitement that the Francois' look forward to the year 2000 and all the wonders it holds in store! *Submitted by Marge Francois*

## FRASSATO-CUCCATTI

The descendants of Baldassre "Barney and Anna (Cuccatti) Frassato are:

Marianna who was born in 1882 in Italy, married Frank Monti and had 2 children

Gene married Lillie Vogel

Charles married Lorraine Purcell and had:

Roger married Judy Hobson

Marilyn married David Roach and had:

Melanie

Monte

Mary, born in 1907 in Coal City, Illinois, married Peter Casetta and had:

Charles

Felix, born in 1899, married Ethel Campbell and had:

Felix E., married Wilmetta Carole Lewis and had:

James E., married Laura Le May and had:

Gina married Scott Farner and had son

Zachary

Clare who has a daughter, Isabel

Eric D., born 28 June 1951, married Susan Doughty and had:

Amanda

Sarah

Ronald D., born 13 November 1952, married Karen "Susie" Bierman Rowney with son, Joel

Rowney and had:

Felix Douglas

Molli Ann

Sherry, born 6 July 1954, married Terry Gockel and had:

John Robert married Rhea "Jodie"

Katherine

Joseph Paul

Donald, born 21 July 1956, married Tracy Bradshaw and had:

Nikki

Derrick

Donald Joseph

Randall, born 15 February 1970 (twin)

Robert, born 15 February 1970, married

Leslie Print with son Austyn and had:

Brevyn

Kenneth married Ferne

Betty married Darwin Manuel and had:

Deniese married Larry McGee and had:

Allison

Travis

Dawn married Ken Rinker

Richard married Marilyn West and had:

Rick

Brian married Lisa and had:

Rebecca

Shane

Vinceinto "Janto," born in 1901, married Roberta Cupples and had:

Wilabel married William Freeberg and had:

Ann married Ferdinand Mantolini and had:

Alicia

Anthony

Susan married Jim Kelly and had:

Matthew

Glen married Mary Carole "Gidget" Grady and had:

Alexandria Lyn

Brittany Marie

Janet married Edgar Hale and had:

Greg married Elizabeth Dudek and had:

Bryant John

Garrick

Dawn married Mark Smith and had:

Kyle Douglas

Tyler Bryant

Jessica Taylor

Robert married Patty Pair with son, Robert

## FRED-ANDERSON

Elmer Grover Fred was born 15 October 1935 in St. John, Perry County, Illinois, son of Elmer Fount Fred and Lillian Faye Dasher. He married (1) Emily Carolyn Anderson 2 February 1958 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, daughter of George Anderson and Alice Heath. Emily Carolyn died 23 June 1978 in Springfield, Illinois.



Joyce E. and Elmer G. Fred, Sr.

Children of Elmer Fred and Emily Carolyn Anderson are: Carolyn Yvonne Fred, born 6 December 1959 in Taylorville, Illinois; Robin Lynn Fred, born 8 November 1962 in Taylorville, Illinois; Elmer Grover "Freddie" Fred, Jr., born 23 August 1966 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois.

Elmer married (2) Joyce Elaine Tidrick 15 October 1980 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, daughter of Merle Tidrick and Voletta May. Joyce was married to John P. Fleischli on 25 January 1958 in Springfield, Illinois. Joyce and John had six children: Patricia Ann Fleischli, born 28 December 1960 in Springfield, Illinois; Kathryn Lynn Fleischli, born 1 February 1962 in Springfield, Illinois; Carolyn Sue Fleischli, born 2 April 1963 in Springfield, Illinois. She married Paul Hamende 21 February 1987 in Springfield, Illinois; Diane Marie Fleischli, born 11 April 1966 in Springfield, Illinois; Victoria Ellen Fleischli, born 30 October 1967 in Springfield, Illinois; and Stephen Andrew Fleischli, born 19 November 1969 in Springfield, Illinois.

Elmer was in Korea stationed at Camp Casey (1959-1960) 7<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, 7<sup>th</sup> Quarter.



Elmer and Emily Carolyn lived at 2604 Somerton, in Springfield, Illinois. Elmer and Carolyn loved to play various card games with Paul and Naomi (Fred) Commean.

Elmer and Joyce live at 2604 Somerton Road in Springfield, Illinois. Elmer and Joyce love to take vacations together and motorcycle all over the United States. They like to camp out when vacationing. Elmer has worked for Capital Woodwards, Springfield Quality Beef, and YT Packing as a butcher and meat cutter. Elmer's hobbies include motorcycling and restaurant sampling. Joyce has worked for the insurance industry and presently works for Crop Growers Insurance as a multi-peril underwriter. Joyce's hobbies include motorcycling, restaurant sampling, cooking, sewing, and handcrafts.

Carolyn Yvonne Fred married Arnold Kennedy in June, 1990 in San Bernardino, California. Children of Carolyn and Arnold Kennedy are: Cusara Tara Spring Kennedy, born 18 May 1991 in San Bernardino, California; and Jessecca Elaine Kennedy, born 7 July 1993 in San Bernardino, California.

Robin Lynn Fred married Dana Quinn 22 February 1985 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Children of Robin Fred and Dana Quinn are: Aubrey Karah Quinn, born 26 November 1988 in Springfield, Illinois; Benjamin James David Quinn, born 17 January 1991 in Springfield, Illinois; and Katelyn Lanel Quinn, born 23 May 1992 in Springfield, Illinois.

Elmer, Jr. married Patricia in 1988 in Springfield, Illinois. Children of Elmer Fred and Patricia Unknown are: Justin Fred, born 28 June 1989; Natasia Nicolle Fred, born 27 August 1990; and Baby Girl Fred, died at birth. *Submitted by Elmer and Joyce (Tidrick) Fred*

## FRED-CAVINS

Steve Fred was born 1 June 1873 in Jefferson County, Illinois, son of William Henry Fred and Sarah Jane Woodrome. Steve Fred died 22 August 1963 in Perry County, Illinois and is buried in the Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Steve Fred married Julia Ann Cavins, 4 October 1899 in Perry County, Illinois. Julia Ann Cavins was born in August 1871 in Perry County, Illinois, and died 18 March 1920 in Anna, Illinois daughter of Hiram Cavins and Sarah "Sally" Ann Harris. Julia is buried in the Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Steve never remarried after Julia's death.



L to R Back Row: Raymond, Elmer and Ralph Fred  
Front Row: Steve Fred.

Children of Steve Fred and Julia Cavins are: Ralph H. Fred, born 27 July 1900 in Perry County, Illinois; died 29 July 1974 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, buried in Sunset Memorial Park.

Ralph married Lillian Mann. Ralph worked for the Majestic Peabody Coal Mine; Raymond Hiram "Hap" Fred, born 27 March 1904 in Perry County Illinois; died 1 November 1961 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, buried in Sunset Memorial Park. Raymond married Fern Settlemoir in 1926 in Jonesboro, Illinois. They lived in Du Quoin, Illinois. Raymond H. Fred attended the Paradise Prairie Baptist Church in Perry County, Illinois. Raymond worked for the Majestic Peabody Coal Mine; and Elmer Fount Fred, born 28 May 1908 in Perry County, Illinois; died 17 April 1987 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and was buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Elmer married Lillian Faye Dasher 24 December 1930 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Steve Fred was a retired coal miner. Steve was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church of Perry County, Illinois. Naomi (Fred) Commean and Dolores (Fred) Donathan remember visiting their grandfather, Steve Fred, on weekends where he lived in a self-made shanty in Old Du Quoin, Illinois. The whole Elmer Fred family would get in their horse drawn wagon and Lillian Faye (Dasher) Fred would bring along a meal for them to eat. They would have a picnic at Steve's house and play games. Dolores remembers going to Steve's house when they were children to celebrate his birthday and Elmer's birthday since their birthdays were so close together. Dolores said they would play softball. Ralph Fred and Raymond Fred and their families would all go to Steve's house for the birthday party. All the women would make food and bring it. Steve would have his stove hot for heating the food and coffee.

Steve said he did not have a middle name. Steve had a garden and grew his own strawberries. Steve liked to whittle on wood with a knife. Steve would collect hickory nuts, crack them, and put them in jars. He would give the nuts to his grandchildren and make hickory nut cakes. *Submitted by Paul Commean, Dolores (Fred) Donathan, and Naomi (Fred) Commean*

## FRED-DASHER

Elmer Fount Fred was born 28 May 1908 in Perry County, Illinois, and died 17 April 1987 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and was buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Elmer was the son of Steve and Julie Ann (Cavins) Fred. Elmer married Lillian Faye Dasher on 24 December 1930 in Du Quoin, daughter of Grover Cleveland Dasher and Laura Della Jackson. Lillian Faye Dasher was born 10 February 1913 in Du Quoin and died 1 December 1970 in Springfield, Illinois and was buried next to Elmer Fred.

Children of Elmer and Lillian Fred are: 1) Dolores Elaine, born 1 December 1931 in Du Quoin, Illinois. She married George Leroy Donathan, 6 April 1958 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois; 2) Naomi Ruth, born 12 December 1933 in St. John, Illinois. She married Charles Paul Dean Commean, 18 May 1957 in Du Quoin, Illinois; 3) Elmer "Sonny" Grover, born 15 October 1935 in St. John, Perry County, Illinois. Elmer Grover married [1] Emily Carolyn Anderson, 2 February 1958 in Springfield, Illinois; and [2] Joyce Elaine Tidrick, 15 October 1980 in Springfield, Illinois; 4) Della Faye, born 17 August 1937 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Della married Ross Edward Kelley, 16 June 1957 in Du Quoin, Illinois; 5) Barbara Dianne, born 29 January 1941 in Du

Quoin, Illinois. Dianne married Stanley Earl White, 9 December 1961 in Springfield, Illinois, Justice of the Peace; 6) John Raymon, born 22 January 1945. John married Alda Sue Crowe, 16 November 1963 in Du Quoin, Illinois; 7) Mahala Loretta, born 5 May 1947 in Du Quoin, Illinois; died 18 April 1948 in Du Quoin, Illinois; 8) Paul Steven, born 5 January 1950 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Steve married Minerva Jane Lively, 7 May 1971 in Du Quoin, Illinois; and 9) Ralph Edward, born and died on 19 October 1956 in Du Quoin, Illinois.



L to R Back Row: Lillian (Dasher) and Elmer Fred L to R Middle Row: Della, Naomi, John (baby), and Dolores Fred L to R Front Row: Barbara and Elmer Fred.

Lillian Faye always said her ancestors were of Dutch, Irish, and Indian descent. Elmer Fount Fred always said his ancestors were of Dutch, Scotch, and Irish descent.

Lillian Faye loved to play the piano at home and at the St. John's Pentecostal Church. She also enjoyed singing at the church. Elmer was a Board Member and Elder of the St. John's Pentecostal Church. Elmer and Faye lived next door (north) of the St. John Pentecost Church until Elmer Grover was about 18 months old, and then they moved to Stacy Avenue in Du Quoin, Illinois where they lived the remainder of their lives. Elmer sold the house on Stacy Avenue and property to his son, Paul Steven Fred, and his family where they currently reside.

Elmer was always a very hard worker and provided well (food and clothing) for his family during the hard depression years. He would work extra side jobs to make sure the family had plenty. Elmer liked to dress up his horses with special harnesses and participate in the Du Quoin parades with his grandchildren riding next to him. Faye would put up can goods in the summer time to provide for the seven children. Faye worked hard to raise the seven children. *Submitted by Naomi Commean, Dolores Donathan, and Della Kelley*

## FRED-DONATHAN

Dolores Elaine Fred was born 1 December 1931 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Elmer Fount Fred and Lillian Faye Dasher. Dolores married George Leroy Donathan 6 April 1958 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, son of Roy G. Donathan and Helen (Ealey) Park.

Children of Dolores Fred and George Donathan are: 1) Renee Elaine Donathan, born 24 July 1960; 2) Leroy Kendall Donathan, born 15 November 1961; 3) Regina Lorraine Donathan, born 16 March 1964 in Springfield, Illinois; and 4) Rachel Fayrene Donathan, born 2 September 1967.

Dolores worked for General Telephone Company in Du Quoin, Illinois as a telephone operator



after graduating from the Du Quoin High School. Leroy started as a meat cutter and worked his way up in the company to Vice President of Humphrey's Groceries in Springfield, Illinois. He worked for Humphrey's from 1960 to 1987. Leroy currently works for Don Curtis in Springfield, Illinois doing maintenance. Leroy and Dolores were members of the First United Pentecostal Church in Springfield for years (1954 to 1976). Leroy is an ordained Pentecostal Preacher and is the pastor of House of Prayer Apostolic Church in Springfield, Illinois. He has been pastor since 29 July 1981. Leroy and Dolores had the house built and currently live at 2683 Hilltop Road (Rural Route 10) in Springfield, Illinois 62707. They originally lived at 2129 East Lawrence in Springfield for many years. Some of Leroy's hobbies include preaching, taking care of tropical fish and fishing. Dolores loves to read, shop, and go on trips.



*L to R Back Row: Regina, Renee, and Fayrene L to R Front Row: Leroy, Dolores, and Kendall Donathan.*

Renee married Timothy K. Sanders on 22 April 1992 in Springfield, Illinois. Child of Renee and Tim is: Nicole Ginae E. Sanders, born 16 March 1995 in Springfield, Illinois.

Kendall married Elizabeth "Betsy" Bee on 15 October 1993 in Springfield, Illinois. Children of Kendall and Betsy are: Bradley Wheeler, born 9 May 1990 in Springfield, Illinois; and Bree Donathan, born 18 April 1994 in Springfield, Illinois.

Regina married Todd Cooper on 16 January 1982 in Springfield, Illinois. Children of Regina and Todd are: 1) Chase Cooper, born 22 December 1984; and 2) Natasha Cooper, born 28 September 1987. *Submitted by Leroy and Dolores (Fred) Donathan*

## FRED-KELLEY

Della Faye Fred was born 17 August 1937 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Elmer Fount Fred and Lillian Faye Dasher. Della married Ross Edward Kelley on 16 June 1957 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Ross was born on 11 September 1937 in Etwoah County, Alabama, son of Charles Kelley and Zula Ann Montgomery.

Children of Della Fred and Ross Kelley are: 1) Talana Faye Kelley, born 16 April 1960 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; 2) Sonseeah Rae Kelley, born 21 July 1962 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; 3) Samantha Kay Kelley, born 8 March 1967 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois; and 4) Ross Edward Kelley II, born 14 November 1969 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois.

Ross and Della live at 3216 Winch Road in Springfield, Illinois 62707-9657. Ross and Della owned their own family grocery store located at Greenwood and Governor Streets in Springfield,

Illinois for six months. Ross worked for 20 years as a meat cutter. He also worked for 10 years at Pillsbury Company. He is now employed by the Cargill Corporation which purchased the Pillsbury Company. Ross' hobbies include fishing and hunting with his grandchildren. Della worked for Blue Bell Packing Company in Du Quoin, Illinois. Also she worked for 10 years as a waitress at Pick Nik Café, Dinner Bell Inn, Moe's Café in Du Quoin, and Angelo Pizza and Day's Inn in Springfield, Illinois. Her favorite things are going to church, singing, and shopping.



*Ross and Della Kelley.*

Ross and Della are members of the Apostolic Gospel Church in Springfield, Illinois. Della taught Sunday School and Ross is the Sunday School Superintendent. Ross and Della moved from Du Quoin to Springfield in July of 1959. *Submitted by Ross and Della (Fred) Kelley*

## FRED-WOODROME

William Henry Fred was born 1841 in Coles County, Illinois, son of James Fred and Rebecca Biggs. William married Sarah Jane Woodrome before 1867, probably in Washington County, Illinois. She may be the daughter of Stephen and Mary Woodrome. Sarah Jane (Woodrome) Fred was born about 1852.

William Fred and his family were living in Elk Prairie Township in Jefferson County, Illinois during the 1880 Census of Illinois.

Children of William Fred and Sarah Woodrome are: 1) Eliza Fred, born about 1867 in Illinois, probably in Jefferson County. She married John Fleener; 2) Henrietta "Aunt Det" Fred was born about 1869 in Illinois, probably in Jefferson County, died 1957. She married George Newell, 30 March 1893. George was born 15 April 1841 in Blissville Township, Jefferson County, Illinois. George Newell enlisted in the 44<sup>th</sup> Illinois Infantry in the Civil War. George fought at Chattanooga, Chicamauga, and Atlanta. George was a farmer and died 25 October 1922; 3) Fountain "Fount" Fred, born 9 January 1870 in Mt. Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois, died 8 February 1961 in Sidney, Richland County, Montana, buried in Sidney Cemetery, Sidney, Montana. Fountain married Ida May Bennett, 24 April 1902 in Primghar, O'Brien County, Iowa. Ida May was born 22 February 1880 in Charleston, Coles County, Illinois, and died 25 May 1948 in Sidney, Montana. Ida is buried with Fountain. Fount Fred came to Montana in 1913, homesteaded near Gettysburg, then to Crane, Montana. Fount lived in Crane, Montana and was a farmer. Fount had a beautiful four room log cabin. His house was in a wooded area and is no longer standing. Church affiliation was Nazarene; 4) Steve "Stephen" Fred, born 1 June 1873 in Illinois, Jefferson County; died

22 August 1963 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Steve is buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Steve married Julia Ann Cavins 4 October 1899 in Perry County, Illinois; 5) Ada "Adie" Florence Fred, born 21 August 1875 in Illinois; died 1 November 1918 in a small town in Illinois. Ada married Robert "Bob" Calvin Smith on 25 December 1893. Robert was born 26 August 1874. They made their home in Ashley, Illinois for a number of years where Bob did carpenter work along with timber and farm work. Robert was a Baptist minister in Ashley, Illinois and lived in Ava, Illinois; and 6) Maud "Matie" Fred, born 13 February 1880 in Illinois; died 13 December 1976. Maud married Edward E. (T?) "Ted" Smith, 15 September 1897. Edward Smith was Robert Calvin's brother who married Ada Fred. Edward was born 21 August 1869 in Ashley, Illinois. Maude Fred Smith lived in Richview, Illinois per Steve Fred obituary. Edward Smith professed faith in Christ and was united with the Baptist Church at Ashley, Illinois at the age of 18 and later united with the Baptist Church at White Swan. After moving to Richview, he and his wife united with the Baptist Church at Richview where he remained until his passing. Edward is buried in the Richview Cemetery. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commear*

## FREDERKING-POPP

Carl W. Reinhard Frederking was born on 27 November 1827 in Minden, Germany, the son of Carl August Ferdinand Frederking and Lisette Caroline Friederika Schrader Frederking. He became orphaned at the age of 4 and by the time he was 14 he had been orphaned two more times by adoptive parents. He came to the states in 1850 with his brother, Gottlieb. Gottlieb later died of wounds he received as a Union soldier in 1865. He studied at Fort Wayne, Indiana to become a Lutheran minister and graduated at the age of 25. Early in life he lost his first wife who bore him two children; Sophie (born 26 May 1856, Hollowayville, Illinois) married Fred Grote and Henry (no information). At the age of 31 he married 16 year old Anna Marie Popp (born 2 November 1842, Altenburg, Missouri) daughter of Andreas Popp and Amalia Rose (maiden name not known) Popp on 20 May 1859.



*Pastor Carl W. Frederking.*

Carl began his ministry in 1852 and served in 10 Lutheran Churches throughout the Midwest. He began his service in Perry County in 1876 as minister of the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Lost Prairie, near Conant. Due to illness in his family he asked for a release from his position as pastor at Lost Prairie in 1879 when he then moved to



Goodfarm, Illinois, where he was a pastor until he retired in 1898. Less than a year after arriving in Goodfarm his wife, Anna Marie, died two weeks after giving birth to their last child, Bertha. She died on 27 December 1879.

Carl and Anna Marie had 10 children: Andreas Paul (born 24 October 1860), August Heinrich (born 1 May 1862, New Wells, Missouri) married Martina (?), Marie Magdalena (23 December 1863, Mt. Hope, Ohio-6 October 1939) married William Wagner on 15 October 1882; Clara (24 March 1867, Palmyra, Missouri-1936) married George Konrad on 6 April 1885; Emma (born 31 December 1870, Prairie Town, Illinois) married John Dierks on 30 January 1896, Julie Anna Wilhelmina (1872, Prairietown, Illinois) married George Burk on 21 December 1890, Lisette Sophia Dorothea (born 1876, Summit, Illinois) married Fred Dierks on 9 December 1896, Agnes (no information), Lydia Catharina Teresa (born 4 February 1878, Lost Prairie) married Hubert Dierks, and Bertha (born 13 December 1879, Goodfarm, Illinois-November 1959) married George Wick. Carl had the misfortune of mourning the loss of 5 of his 15 children. Information on three of his children has not been located.

Carl later married a woman named Emilie (last name not known) who was born in 1838 and died in 1916. They had no children together. Carl was afflicted with a severe ailment that brought intense suffering that lasted until his death (16 years). He died at the age of 75 on 22 October 1902 in Goodfarm, Illinois. *Submitted by Michael K. House, 2<sup>nd</sup> great grandson*

## FULK-BUCHANAN

Ray Fulk was born in 1909 to James and Elva Fulk of Noble, Illinois. In 1937 he married Ernestine Buchanan of Pinckneyville. Ernestine's family has a long history in Southern Illinois. Her great-great grandfather, Dr. Arthur Dempsey came from England. His fiancée Mary Smith was a stowaway on the ship with him. They married and he is believed to be the first physician in Washington County. Their daughter, Jane, married a full-blooded Cherokee Indian by the name of John Cheek. Their daughter was Elizabeth and she married Emanuel Benedict. Elizabeth and Emanuel are the grandparents of Ernestine Fulk. Most of the family is buried in the old Chapman Cemetery on the Washington/Perry County line. They had seven daughters: Lou Wilkerson, Nannie Slusher, Lee McClurken, Pat Cheek, Elizabeth Stevenson, Daisy Opp, Martha Buchanan, and Maggie McKelvey.

Martha was married to Wilard Luke and had three children. Gerald lives at Ottawa. Ulysses died as an infant and Helen married Lee Opp. Wilard was killed in a freak railroad accident.

Martha remarried Sam Buchanan who came to the United States in 1909 from Ireland. Most of his family remains in Ireland to this day. Sam and Martha had two children. Morris died at 16 from heart problems. Ernestine was born 15 September 1915 and lives in Pinckneyville. Sam and Martha lived in the Maude Lemon home west of Pinckneyville where the state drivers license facility now sits. The home was destroyed by a fire. The home was featured in the 1883 Randolph, Monroe, and Perry County Historical Book.

Ernestine now lives on the grounds that once belonged to her favorite aunt and uncle, William and Maggie McKelvey. Her husband, Ray, died

on 27 August 1992 at their home north of Pinckneyville. Ray was well known for his generosity and his love for his fellow man. He is buried at Mueller Cemetery.

They had six grandchildren: Bill became a physician in Du Quoin before moving to Florida. He is married to Delores Leusby and they have two children, Doug and Dan. Robert is a city policeman in Pinckneyville. He is married to Sharon McClaire and they have three children, Robert, Bonnie, and Karen. Kay is married to Russell Eubanks. Kay is an OB educator at Carbondale, and Russ just retired from teaching. They have two children, David and Amy. Dorothy is married to Tom Wall. Dorothy is an office manager and Tom works for ARCO Oil and is currently in China. They have three children, Ted, Andy, and Susie. Sam lives in Pinckneyville with his wife, Sylvia Lacy. Sam runs a business and Sylvia teaches in the grade school. They have three children, Stephanie, Jim, and Greg. Marilyn is married to Rex Stombaugh. Marilyn works as a physician assistant in Benton and Rex is a student at Southern Illinois University. They have two daughters, Jennifer and Megan.

The first Fulk reunion will be held 6 June 1998.

## FULTON/MIDWAY STATION

In the early part of 1900, an enterprising young man and his energetic young wife answered the door when opportunity knocked. This couple was William Enoch Fulton and Mary C. (Shute, daughter of George Shute and Rebecca Carson). When the new 'Hard Road,' the original Route 13 (now Route 154), was being built, connecting Sparta and Pinckneyville, he knew it would be well traveled. He also realized it would be a long days travel from one point to the other with people, horses, and machines needing respite before reaching their destination. They built the Midway Station, deriving the name from the location, about mid-way between the two towns.



*Midway Station James A. Fulton and Mary Ann Eaton.*

Until this time, William had been a farmer like his family before him. Mary was a homemaker who knew how to take care of people and cook good food. At first they offered lunches of whatever happened to be on the stove cooking at the time, tending the horses and carriages in the back. The machines (cars) needed more than William was experienced in giving, but his son Walter was adept at this and became the mechanic, as well as the blacksmith and carpenter. As time went on more was added to the business, a gas pump was installed, a restaurant like eatery that also served ice cream! Mary obtained a glass showcase in which she and her daughter Blanche kept filled

with fancy-work and knickknacks. The business prospered.

At times, people had traveled for long distances and were weary, often camping beside the Station, sleeping in their automobiles and wagons. This opened up another area of revenue. William obtained lumber from old mining buildings in Jamestown and built small, one bedroom cabins and rented them out for the night. He provided his own electricity, using batteries and a gasoline engine.

In 1939 William died, leaving Mary and her children (Blanche, Walter, and Allen) to run the business, which they did until World War II started. With the gas and other rationing, they were unable to operate the business as before and started cutting back on services until eventually they had only the blacksmith shop and the gift section left. When Mary died in 1960, Blanche moved to Pinckneyville and the station was sold to Richard Taping, who still lives there.

The strip mines bought the farmland of Walter and Allen just south of the station. Before the buildings were torn down, Taping had the large barn and smokehouse of Allen's moved to his property across the highway. They are still there.

For seven generations, the Fultons have been in Perry County, with James A. Fulton (married Mary Ann Eaton, daughter of 'Judge' Enoch Eaton and Polly Hughs) coming from Guilford County, North Carolina.

Children of James and Mary Ann are: Marion Alexander born 2 August 1856, Rice Henry born 5 September 1858, Harriette Ann born 20 September 1860, Samuel Edward born 25 September 1862, Sarah Joanna born 26 February 1864, William Enoch born 18 August 1865, George Washington born 10 September 1867, James Franklin born 24 March 1870, Mary Rosettia born 2 February 1872, Nancy Violetta born 21 February 1875, Mary Anne born 28 May 1878, and Mollie Lucinda born 28 March 1878.

Children of William Enoch Fulton and Mary C. Shute are: Clyde born 11 March 1896, Blanche Myrtle born 26 August 1898, Walter E. died in 1972, and William Allen born 20 June 1893. Children of William Allen Fulton and Blanche Nelle Lafferty are: Aleen born 14 August 1918 and Robert Lloyd born 4 December 1919.

Children of Robert Lloyd Fulton and Wanda Adeline Reese, Kueker are: Shielia Jean Kueker (step-daughter) born 27 September 1941, James Lloyd born 20 April 1948, and Robert Allen born 15 February 1951.

Children of James Lloyd Fulton and Gayle Stewart are: Virgil Allen and James Howard.

Children of Robert Allen Fulton and Louise Sherman are: Robert Wayne and Posha Sophia.

Robert Lloyd Fulton presently lives in Percy, Illinois. James Lloyd Fulton lives in Forsyth, Montana. Robert Allen Fulton lives in rural Ava.

*Submitted by Shielia Jean (Kueker) Salger to honor my dad, Robert Lloyd Fulton*

## FULTON-ROETHE

James Robert Fulton was born 11 March 1956 to William and Mary (Lawrence) Fulton of Saunemin, Illinois. He is the youngest of four children with brothers Bill and George of Saunemin and sister Vera (Price) of Bloomington, Illinois. Jim grew up helping on the family farm, fishing, and raising various animals for 4-H. He attended Saunemin Grade and High Schools and



went on to Kankakee Community College then received his B.S. in Agriculture Education at Illinois State University in Normal. From there he taught high school agriculture in Wapella and then in his hometown of Saunemin for 8 years until the high school consolidated.



L to R: Katie Jo, Daniel, Ruth Ann, and Jim Fulton.

Ruth Ann (Roethe) Fulton was born in Pinckneyville on 4 May 1957 to Ervin (24 July 1911) and Hilda (Pick) Roethe (30 November 1922). She has an older sister Helen (Mrs. Vernon) Mayer of Cutler, and an older brother Jim Roethe of Golden Gate, Illinois. Ruth Ann grew up playing house under her mother's quilting frames and tinkering on clocks, lawn mowers, and old cars with her father. Her interest in previous generation's agricultural heritage led her to become involved with the American Thresherman Association for 12 years where she served as recording secretary and publicity chairman. Having attended Pinckneyville Grade and High Schools, she continued her education at Illinois State University studying Elementary Education and Library Science. She was offered the position of Kindergarten teacher and school librarian at Tamaroa Grade School where she taught for two years and then came back to her hometown to teach Kindergarten for four years before marrying Jim on 25 August 1984.

Jim was by now manager and operator of the family farm, raising beef, cattle, and grain. Ruth Ann worked in the activity department of a retirement home until their son Daniel James was born 29 March 1987. He was followed two years later by daughter Katherine Joanne (Katie Jo). Besides farming, Jim does custom woodworking and sings in a quartet as a hobby, while Ruth Ann is president of her church women's group, holds office in the Parent Teacher Organization, teaches children crafts, sews, and helps around the farm. When not in school, Daniel can usually be found with his chickens, cats, or the dog, playing trombone, engineering something, or reading. Katie Jo has a pet rabbit and a creative imagination, is learning how to sew, and also likes to read. The family is active in church and school projects, 4-H, Boy Scouts, and Girl Scouts. They enjoy living in their remodeled farmhouse on the Fulton family Centennial Farm near Saunemin. To celebrate Jim and Ruth Ann's tenth wedding anniversary the family went up in a hot air balloon and floated over their home and surrounding area.

## GANDY-MCBRIDE

Robert Noble Gandy is the adopted son of Elvin T. Gandy and Evelyn Thomas. He was born on 10 May 1933 in Denver, Colorado to George H. Noble and Nina Austin. Robert spent most of his childhood and attended school in Ava, Illinois.

He enlisted in the United States Navy and served from 1950-1954. He is a graduate of Southern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Arts Degree. Robert received his Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Missouri and after a period of time with the FBI, he obtained his license to practice law in Illinois. He practiced law for 25 years in Du Quoin, Illinois and was Circuit Judge of Perry County for 7 years, between 1988 and 1995.



Barbara and Robert Gandy.

Barbara grew up in Ava, Illinois, with one brother and one sister. She is the daughter of Albert McBride and Lillian Graff. Barbara worked at several secretarial jobs until she and Robert were married in 1955. They have three children. Janet Fowler, who with her husband Ralph, reside in the Mt. Vernon area with their daughter, Emily Hope. Both Janet and Ralph are practicing attorneys. Patricia A. Lopez resides with her husband Rudy and their two children, Perry Austin and Briana Nicole, in Apache Junction, Arizona. Patricia is a court reporter and her husband sells Apache helicopters for Boeing Aircraft. Robert Brian Gandy lives in Belleville, Illinois, where he is employed as a probation officer with the Belleville Probation Department.

As of this writing, Robert and Barbara reside in Du Quoin, Illinois where they are enjoying retirement through travel, gardening, golf, and their friends and family.

## GERSTENSCHLAGER

Melchior Gerstenschlager was born in 1783 in Gross-Unistadt, Germany. His parents were Heinrich and Eva (Spiess) Gerstenschlager. Both Melchior and his father were master shoemakers. Melchior married Anna Maria Muller on 17 November 1814. Their second son was Balthasar born 17 October 1819. Anna died in 1840 from lower intestinal blockage.

In 1842, Melchior, Balthasar and young son John, moved to America. Older son, Henry, moved to America 1860. They settled in St. Clair County. The 1850 census shows that Balthasar was a farmer. He married Christina Schad from Germany in 1845. They had two children born in St. Clair County, Anna and John.

About 1851, he moved his family to the Conant area. Here Jacob, Joseph, and Henry were born. Balthasar started a cemetery on his farm when a man was found dead nearby.

Balthasar was a charter member of St. Paul's Evangelical and Reformed Church of Pinckneyville on 30 September 1870.

His son, Jacob, was born 28 September 1851 at Lenzburg. He married Christina Hendler 7 June 1875. She was also from Germany. After her mother died, Christina's father lived with her and

Jacob on their Conant farm. Their children were Balthasar, Jacob, Catherine, Augusta, Frederick, Maria, George, Wilhemina, Ida, and Anna. The children attended Lost Prairie School. After his wife's death, the home burned and was rebuilt.

Jacob's daughter, Maria, was born 1 July 1887. Their daughter, Corarena, died shortly after birth. Other children were Clemant, Wilbert, and Dorothy. They finally settled in Pinckneyville after Boon and Clement opened a tavern. Maria died March 1974 and is buried with Boon at Mueller Hill.

## GIACOMO-GOLLIHER

Nelson Lawrence Giacomo and Harriet Ann Golliher were married 30 July 1949 at Beaucoup Baptist Church in Pinckneyville, Illinois, by the Reverend J. R. Jenkins, pastor of the church.

Nelson was born in Perry County on 31 December 1928 to Joseph Giacomo and Pearl Carter Giacomo.

Harriet was born in Jackson County, Murphysboro, Illinois on 12 February 1931 to George John Golliher and Mary E. Hanson Golliher.



L to R: Jane, Susan, Harriet and Nelson Giacomo, Peggy, and Joyce.

Nelson has lived in Perry County his entire life except for the time he served in the United States Marine Corps. He attended Wylie School, north of Pinckneyville. He helped in the operation of his family's sawmill, north of Pinckneyville until he went to work as a heavy equipment operator. After 21 years in the Operating Engineers, he worked at Captain Coal Mine until his retirement.

Harriet lived in Murphysboro, Illinois until she was six years of age. At that time her family moved to Pinckneyville. She first attended Pinckneyville Public School but later attended Beaucoup School when her family moved to a rural area west of Pinckneyville. She graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1949. She worked at the Pinckneyville Garment Factory and later at the Pinckneyville Democrat Newspaper.

Nelson and Harriet have four daughters:

Joyce Ann, born 17 January 1952, in Du Quoin, Illinois. She is married to Emerson Pat Campbell and they have two children, Eric Scott and Kelly Jo. They reside in Pinckneyville.

Peggy Lynn, born 4 December 1956, in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She is married to David Sims. They reside in Pinckneyville. Peggy has two daughters, Richel Lynn and Jana Renee. Peggy also has one step-son, Andrew Hagene, the son of Richard J. Hagene, to whom Peggy was married from 1986 until Richard's death in 1990.

Susan Renee, born 23 August 1960, in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She is married to Shawn



Endres. They have two sons, Cole William and Nick Dean. They reside in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Jane Beth, born 31 July 1963, in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She is married to Greg Folden and they have two children, Justin Michael and Jill Elizabeth. They reside in Pinckneyville.

Harriet and Nelson attend church at the Oak Grove Baptist Church, north of Pinckneyville. They reside in their home they built on their farm, north of Pinckneyville. Harriet enjoys reading, crafts, and embroidering. Nelson enjoys wood-working. They are currently enjoying their retirement by raising a few cattle, gardening, and visiting with their grandchildren and great-grandchild, Noah Scott-Nelson Campbell.

## GILL-GRESHAM

George Washington Gill, son of William Gill and Mary Rogers, was born 1 February 1811 in Williamson County, Tennessee. His father, William Gill, was from Chesterfield County, Virginia, moving to Halifax County about 1800. Around 1807, the Gill family relocated to Williamson County, Tennessee, appearing on Tax Rolls there until 1812.

In 1813, the Gill family headed for Illinois, crossing the Ohio River at Golconda. Traveling through dense wilderness, they saw only two houses before reaching the Big Muddy River. On Christmas Day, 1813, they arrived in what later became Jackson County. William Gill settled upon land in Somerset Township on Beaucoup Creek, and ran a ferry close to where the Kimmel bridge now crosses the Big Muddy River on the DeSoto/Murphysboro road.

After George W. Gill's marriage to Martha "Patsy" Pelisha Gresham 16 December 1831, they moved near Old Du Quoin in Perry County. Martha, born 2 April 1813 in Virginia, died 21 March 1867 and George passed away 13 March 1863. They are buried in McElvain Cemetery. They had eleven children; James, Susan, Daniel, Thomas, Sarah, Edwin, Leo, Pelisha, Adelia, Ann, and Isabelle.

James M. Gill, born 14 September 1832, married Elvira Taylor, daughter of Joseph A. Taylor and Edith Pyle, 17 February 1853 in Perry County. After Elvira's death, James married Mary Jane (Snyder) Copeland. He died 1 June 1897 and is buried with Elvira in McElvain Cemetery. His children included: Cornelius, Aletha, Dora, Eugene, Mary, and George.

Susan E. Gill, born 8 July 1834, married William E. Dunn on 21 November 1850 in Perry County. Susan died 18 April 1921. She and William are buried in McElvain Cemetery. There children were: George, Mary, Delilah, Joseph, James, Sarah, Nancy, Alice, and John.

Daniel Gill, born 18 November 1836, married Lucinda Pyle, daughter of Hiram Pyle and Catherine Dry, 4 February 1858 in Perry County. Daniel died 20 September 1927 and is buried with Lucinda in IOOF Cemetery, Perry County. They had a daughter Alara.

Thomas E. Gill, born 3 August 1839, married Nancy Pyle, daughter of David Pyle and Aletha Marlow, 13 February 1861 in Perry County. They moved to Missouri about 1879 and both died there in 1917. They are buried in New Hope Cemetery, Jasper County, Missouri. They had nine children: Joseph, Lycurgus, Walter, Edward, Alice, Letha, Fredric, Nelley, and Lee.

Sarah Harriet Gill, born 19 November 1841 in Perry County, married Ephraim Reese Taylor, son of Michael James Taylor and Jane Wells, 27 March 1862 in Perry County. They moved to Jasper County, Missouri in 1868. Sarah died 14 March 1891 and Ephraim passed away 20 May 1880. They are buried in Taylor Cemetery. They had five children: Lucine, Benton, Jospehine, Hampton, and Thomas.

Edwin Gill, born 23 December 1843 in Perry County, died 23 November 1862 in General Hospital Number 3 near Jackson, Tennessee while serving with the 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry, Company K during the United States Civil War. He is buried in McElvain Cemetery.

Leo Fenwick Gill, born 28 October 1845 in Perry County, married Lettie Smith 23 August 1888 in Jasper County, Missouri. Leo died 6 December 1917 and he and Lettie are buried in Taylor Cemetery, Jasper County. They had two girls, Lula and Hattie.

Pelisha Gill, born 1 January 1848, married Thomas B. Pyatt 16 October 1867 in Perry County. They moved to Lemhi County, Idaho. Their children included Cornelia and Max.

Adelia Honeywell Gill, born 20 May 1850 in Perry County, married John Hampton Campbell 22 November 1871 in Jasper County, Missouri. Adelia died 4 January 1923. She and John are buried in New Hope Cemetery, Jasper County. They had twelve children: Natie, Alpha, James, Della, Lyman, Mina, Lara, Lycurgus, George, John, Grady, and Philip.

Ann Gill, born 28 July 1852, died February 1874 in Perry County.

Isabelle "Belle" Gill, born 23 February 1857, married John Franklin Humphrey, son of John Humphrey and Agnes Tenplin, in 1878. Isabelle died 15 November 1924 and is buried with John in IOOF Cemetery, Perry County. They had three children: Lucius, George, and Gertrude.

## GILL-SMITH

Leo Fenwick "Wick" Gill, the sixth child of George Washington Gill and Martha "Patsy" Gresham Gill was born in Perry County Illinois 28 October 1844. The Missouri descendants of Wick Gill know very little about him. He was described by his daughter Hattie as not being much of a communicator, he would set for hours and never say a word. According to census records collected, Wick Gill lived with his parents on the family farm in Perry County until after their deaths. There is no census record for him in 1870 but one of his younger sisters, Adelia Gill, is listed in the 1870 census in Jasper County Missouri living with a family from Illinois and probably Leo followed her to Missouri around this time. In 1880 Leo is listed in the Jasper County Census as being a servant, farm laborer, for the John Taylor family. On 23 August 1888, Leo F. Gill of Avilla married Lettie Smith, twenty years his junior, of Avilla in Carthage, Missouri. From the time of their marriage until Lettie's death, 12 July 1903 the couple farmed on rental property in the Avilla, La Russell, Missouri area near Leo's older brother, Thomas Gill, who along with his wife Nancy and children had followed his younger brother and sister to Missouri.

Leo and Lettie had three daughters. Lulu L. Gill born 1889, married Frank Knight at an early age. Lulu has at least six children and lived in

Joplin, Missouri for a while, moved to Nevada and then on to Montana where the family lost contact with her during the Depression in 1930.



L to R: Leo Fenwick Gill and Lettie Margaret Smith Gill.

The second child, Hattie Burnett Gill Murphey (born 6 October 1895 near Avilla, Missouri died 28 September 1984 in Jasper, Missouri) married Clarence Murphey (born 29 January 1892 in Farmersville, Montgomery County, Illinois, died 21 January 1953 in Iantha, Barton County, Missouri) in Carthage, Missouri 30 June 1920. Hattie and Clarence owned a farm near Iantha and raised four daughters and a son. Hattie, Clarence, and Carroll, their son, are buried in Iantha, Missouri. Hattie's daughters are Arletta Murphey Probert, Loretta Murphey Sikes, Helen Murphey Rice Keller, and Leora Murphey VanBummel. Hattie Gill Murphey was a strong Christian mother who was very proud of her family. Luella, the third daughter, born 12 July 1903 died with her mother during birth. After the death of his wife, Leo, in failing health, moved with Hattie to a farm east of Jasper to be near his sister, Adelia Campbell, who could help him raise Hattie. Leo died of cancer on 6 December 1914. Leo, Lettie, and Luella Gill are buried in Taylor Cemetery in Jasper County, Missouri.

## GILLIS

The Gillis Family is first mentioned in the 1860 Census of this County. There are four Gillis children living with John W. and Lydia Pyatt. They were all born in Ohio. The oldest was Samuel Jackson then age 16, Frances Gertrude, 14; George Washington, 8; and Franklin Pierce, 5. Lydia Burnell Pyatt, the widow of Dr. James P. Burnell, was born in New York. Her maiden name was Andrews. She was the Aunt of the children in the Pyatt home. Her will at the Perry County Court-house clearly states this.

Amanda E. "Mande" Andrews married Samuel Jackson Gillis in Portage County, Ohio on 2 February 1843. In the 1900 Census, the Gillis family in Perry County gives their father's birth place (Samuel) as Pennsylvania and the birth place of Amanda as Ohio. It is believed that Amanda was born in the New England States. Since no trace of them has been found in Perry County, it is believed that neither of them ever came to Illinois.

Lydia died and was buried with her first husband on land they had owned. She willed all of her land to the children. Samuel Jackson Gillis, Jr. started a store in Pinckneyville. Frances Gertrude married Dr. John Randolph Jones, son of Humphrey B. (both a Doctor and a Lawyer,) and Harriet Dobyns Jones. H. B. Jones entered land of which the City of Pinckneyville now stands. John finished Missouri Medical College



of St. Louis and practiced in Perry County and later in Kansas. George Washington Gillis married Susan Aguste Wagner, who was the daughter of Christopher and Wilkelmina (Dutz) Wagner who had come from Germany. He farmed the land that was left to the Gillis family near Cutler, in the small community of Jamestown, Illinois. Franklin Pierce Gillis, according to AMA records, graduated from Agricultural College (later the University of Illinois) and Missouri Medical College. He graduated in 1876. He practiced in Chester and Cutler but ended in Du Quoin. Dr. Gillis was said to have opened the first real hospital in the city. People were afraid of hospitals and so the venture was a failure. It is said that he performed the first operation in the City, an appendectomy. The operations was a success but the patient died. Notes on Dr. Gillis from "Du Quoin/Gateway to Egypt, Report of History Committee" no date given. Willard Gillis told of an elderly farmer, "Mr. Mann who talked of Dr. Gillis with much respect." Mr. Mann said that "Dr. Gillis tried to save my boy's life but his appendix had burst by the time we brought him to town in a wagon. Doc tried to operate, but it was too late. He did everything he could for my boy." Dr. Gillis and his wife, Ette M (Chamness), retired to Florida. He died 12 March 1923, and is buried in De Land, Florida. *Submitted by Martha Pope Emling*

## GILLIS-WAGNER

George Washington Gillis was born 25 December 1853 in Ohio as recorded on his marriage record. His parents were Samuel Jackson and Amanda "Mande" Andrews Gillis. He married Susanna Aguste Wagner on 8 August 1885 in Perry County, Illinois. She was born on 10 March 1866, the daughter of Christopher and Wilkelmina (Dutz) Wagner who were both born in Germany.



*George W. and Susan Aguste Wagner Gillis.*

No guardianship record has been found, it is believed that Lydia Andrews Burnell Pyatt was the legal guardian for the four Gillis children. Her will indicates their relationship. All the Gillis children were active in business or received an education.

In 1874, S. J. Gillis, Alanson Edwards, and M. C. Edwards were named as commissioners for the Pinckneyville Coal Mining Company. Stockholders included: John R. Jones (27 shares), Alanson Edwards (6 shares), S. J. Gillis (25 shares), B. W. Jones (5 shares), and George W. Gillis (87 shares). In 1883 the mining company was owned by the Honorable William K. Murphy.

George and Susanna had three children:

Franklin Walter was born 20 September 1887, died 1 November 1942, and married Noar Rosetta Eaton, daughter of Willard and Esther (Richmond) Eaton on 8 November 1911. Children: Willard

George Gillis was born 29 March 1916, died 4 January 1997, and married Josephine Povenzano; Lena Mae Gillis was born 14 March 1918 and married Russel Arthur Emling; Frieda Belle Gillis was born 8 June 1918 and married Quentin Edman; Frankie Irene Gillis was born 10 July 1923 and married Earl Vernon Clay.

Herman George was born 19 June 1890, died ?, and married Mable Clair Hood. Their son Dale Hood Gillis was born 20 June 1922 and married Dollie.

Lydia Wilkelmina was born 16 January 1892, died 7 June 1974 and married Charles Luther Smith on 1 January 1914, son of Thomas and Elizabeth (Stevenson) Smith. Their children were: Lylian Chlorine born 11 November 1914, died 17 June 1995, and married Clyde Myers; George Thomas Smith born 12 December 1916 and died 1927; and Charles Junior Smith born 14 August 1922 and died 1945 in World War II.

George Washington and Susanna Aguste (Wagner) Gillis are buried at the Cutler Cemetery in Perry County. Only a few of the descendants of George and Susanna live in Perry County today, with several more scattered across the United States of America. *Submitted by Martha Pope Emling*

## GLADSON-MARTIN

Patricia Leona (Martin) Gladson is the oldest child of Simon (born 27 July 1904; died 28 August 1945) and Florence Mentel Martin (born 2 September 1904; died 15 July 1960) of Pinckneyville.



*L to R: Michael D., Pat Martin, C. Dean, and William P. Gladson.*

Pat was born 13 July 1931 in Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin. Pat attended Nation School, St. Bruno's, and Pinckneyville Community High School. She graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School with the class of 1949. She attended two years at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. She then taught one year at Mathews School in the southern part of Perry County. She then went to St. Louis and worked for an insurance company before she was married in June of 1953.

Patricia L. Martin and C. Dean Gladson (29 January 1927), son of Henry and Grace (Taylor) Gladson, married on 9 June 1953. They have two sons: Michael Dean, (22 December 1956) and William Patrick, (26 July 1958). Both boys are college graduates; Mike from the University of Tulsa and Bill from Southwest Missouri State University. Mike married Lisa Raible on 12 March 1983 in Louisville, Kentucky. They have two daughters; Kate Raible, (17 September 1986) and Anne Taylor, (15 March 1989). William P. married Julie Krelo on 25 May 1985 in St. Louis. They

are divorced. On 14 June 1997, William P. Gladson and Georgette (Gigi) Clyde were married in St. Louis. They have one son, William Dean, (born 4 November 1997).

Pat is retired from Missouri Educational Association. Dean is retired from the United States Postal Service.

## GLENN-MAGERKURTH

Phoebe Ellen Porter was married first to Madison Elmer Glenn who died in 1917. See article in this book on her first marriage and their children. Robert Magerkurth was married twice before with one or more children by each wife.

Phoebe and Robert married 2 April 1920 in Perry County. They lived on the Magerkurth place near Rice, Perry County, Illinois. Robert died there on 8 December 1946. He is buried in the New Concord Cemetery in Rice.



*Robert and Phoebe Magerkurth.*

The Magerkurth place was in the direct path of the big fire around Halloween, 1951 or 1952. Phoebe's granddaughter, Helen Hutchings, had come to visit. When she started to leave, she saw the fire coming up through the woods south of them. It had been terribly dry. They didn't remember it raining for months. The fire was going strong with all the dry trees and brush. It was heading straight at the house. A lesser person would have left, but Phoebe wouldn't budge. Nothing would move her out of her house. Family, neighbors, and friends worked frantically setting little fires to burn stuff off, plowing up the fields on the south side of the house, and beating and beating the fire. The firemen were positioned to try to save the house. They had lines in the well and cistern as that is all the water they had. As the fire got closer to her house, what did Phoebe do? She took time to make coffee and finish the food she had been cooking. She knew the workers would need them when the fires was over! Incredibly, the fire got to the field they had dug up south of the house, did almost a 90 degree turn, went around the house and on up north. It burned all night and the next day. It did get someone else's barn on up north, but it did not get the Magerkurth place.

Phoebe was an incredible lady. She endured many hardships, including the early death of her first husband, losing children, and poverty, but she never complained. Never! Her only thought was for her children. She wanted nothing for herself. Phoebe and Robert had another set of children.

Goldie Esther Magerkurth (26 August 1921- 4 December 1984), buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery, married Lee Kuhnert, children: Roger Lee, Alen Ross, Virgil Leslie, and Gloria Jean.

Myrtle Marie Magerkurth (born 28 December 1922), married Lester Otto Woodside, children



(order unknown): Russell, Norma, Judy, Sharon, Donald, Randy, Larry, and Debbie. After Lester died, Myrtle remarried Bruno Albert Ryterski. After Bruno's death, Myrtle remarried June Rackley.

Robert Lee Magerkurth (15 or 16 September 1924-21 July 1925), buried in Maxwell Cemetery, Washington County, Illinois.

Richard Thomas Magerkurth (born 26 April 1926), married Emma Jones, children: Ray Thomas, Margie Ellen, and Nancy.

Son-stillborn 25 October 1927, buried Maxwell Cemetery.

Roy Leo Magerkurth (16 June 1929-23 April 1995), married Doris Elaine Gaston, children: Mark Allen, Phillip Dale, Amy Elaine, Charles Ward. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## GLENN-PORTER

Madison Elmer Glenn (called Matthew or Matt) was born 27 August 1878 in Pilot Knob, Washington County, Illinois to James and Martha Jane (Morris) Glenn. Phoebe/Phebe Ellen Porter was born 8 October 1885 or 1888 in Kansas to Aca Lee and Sarah Jane (Campbell) Porter. At some point, Phoebe's parents moved their family to Washington County. Phoebe's maternal grandparents were Alexander and Phoebe A. (Howard) Campbell who were in Washington County when they died.



Matthew and Phoebe Glenn.

Matthew and Phoebe were married 23 December 1903 in Nashville, Illinois. At least by January 1917, they lived across from the orphanage in Hoyleton, Illinois. At that time, Madison was a section hand for the railroad. Once he didn't come home. His daughter, Elsie, age 11, went out knocking on doors looking for him. He was later found dead in some water by the railroad. He died 4 or 5 January 1917 in Washington County. Internment is in the Maxwell Cemetery, Oakdale, Washington County.

On 2 April 1920, Phoebe remarried Robert Magerkurth and they moved to his place in Rice, Perry County, Illinois. Phoebe had another set of children with Robert (article in book). Phoebe was in the Pinckneyville Community Hospital when they had the big fire on 5 November 1966. They got her out safely, but she died there a couple days later on 10 November 1966. Internment is in the New Concord Cemetery in Rice.

Madison and Phoebe had five children.

Florence Ethel Glenn (24 July 1904 to 24 January 1905), buried in Maxwell Cemetery.

Edna Elsie (Glenn) Kuhl (born 8 December 1905) (article in this book).

Richard Raymond Glenn ("Ray"), born 9 April 1909, rural Oakdale, Washington County,

Illinois. Ray entered service 24 April 1944 in World War II. On 3 February 1945 was missing in action. 3 April 1945 received word he had been killed in action 13 January 1945. Died somewhere in Belgium and is buried over there. Ray married Evalina Annie Ruffino on 6 May 1935. Children (2): Delores Marie (Glenn) Cole (born 1 April 1936) and Lester Ray Glenn (born 31 December 1937).

Melvin Francis Glenn, born 24 March 1912, Washington County, died 18 October 1977, Pinckneyville, internment St. Mary Magdalen Church Cemetery, Todd's Mill. Married Gertrude Rose Degenhardt, 20 June 1939, Todd's Mill. One daughter, Rose Marie Glenn, (3 September 1940-31 August 1978), buried in Todd's Mill Cemetery. Marie married Robert Engleman on 22 June 1959, Todd's Mill and had one son, Donald Engleman (born 18 February 1965).

Dorothy Jane Glenn, born 14 March 1915, Oakdale, died 20 July 1994, Nashville, Illinois, internment Todd's Mill Cemetery. Married Victor Theodore Stern ("Vic") on 20 February 1941, Todd's Mill, and had three children:

Leroy Joseph Stern (25 December 1941-31 October 1967), internment Todd's Mill Cemetery, married Johanna Setzekorn, had three children: 1 son died in infancy, Jeffery Alan and Sheri Linette Stern.

One child of Dorothy and Vic died in infancy, 29 October 1946.

William David Stern (born 8 October 1951), married Patricia Marie Kabat, 20 February 1991, one daughter Amanda Jo Stern (born 18 December 1992). *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## GOLDMAN

Andrew (Andreas) Goldman was born 6 March 1848, in St. Clair County, Illinois to Bartholomew M. and Eva Koehler Goldman. Andrew fought in the Civil War as a private in Company K, 149<sup>th</sup> Volunteer Regiment, and was honorably discharged at Dalton, Georgia on 27 January 1866. He was described upon enlistment at 5 feet 3 inches tall, fair complexion, blue eyes, and light hair. He was a farmer by occupation.



Andrew (Andreas) Goldman.

Andrew and Mary Keller were married on 6 March 1869 by Allen Parlier, Justice of the Peace at Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois. Misfortune came to Andrew a few days after the birth of their sixth child, Louis Phillip on 6 November 1882. His beloved Mary died 9 November.

Andrew's mother kept Louis for six months, Andrew taking care of the older children. Then Andrew hired Malinda Hutchings to care for his family. Malinda loved his children as if they were her own. Not only did she love them, she grew to love their father. Andrew was joined in marriage

to Malinda on 30 May 1883 by W. A. Chapman, Justice of the Peace, in Perry County, Illinois.

Andrew took his family and moved to Texas, returning after 7 years to Perry County. Andrew Goldman was a good man and a fine father. He died 14 April 1933 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Many of his descendants still make Perry County their home.

## GORDON

The Gordons are a pioneer family whose relationship to Perry County began over two centuries ago. James E. and Lucy Ann (Jones) Gordon emigrated from Kentucky in the early part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century and were the first of this family to set down roots in the county. Lucy Ann was the sister of Dr. Humphrey Jones, considered by most local historians to be the most influential citizen during the county's formative period. James E. Gordon was the grandson of Captain John Gordon, who as a member of General George Rogers Clark's Virginia State Troops was one of the first white men to view the area which was later to become Perry County. General Clark's troops passed through Perry County in 1778 on their way home from Fort Massac, capturing the British-held forts at Kaskaskia, Cahokia, and Vincennes. Four years later in August of 1782, Captain Gordon died heroically in the last battle of the Revolutionary War, the Battle of Blue Licks, Kentucky.



Julia E. Gordon Romeo and Carol Ann Romeo.

Captain Gordon was the son of John Gordon, Sr., who came from Scotland to Virginia in about 1717 and became a prosperous plantation owner. He was married to Elizabeth Grayson, daughter of John Grayson who was the first cousin of Colonel William Grayson, aide-de-camp to George Washington during the Revolutionary War, elected as a member of the Continental Congress in 1784, and was one of Virginia's two first United States senators on the organization of the Federal Government. Colonel Grayson's mother, Susanna Monroe, was the sister of Andrew Monroe, grandfather of President James Monroe. Both Grayson men were the grandsons of John Grayson, Sr., a large plantation owner who first came to Virginia in the 1680s from Great Britain.

Captain Gordon and Elizabeth Grayson had eight children, the seventh being William Gordon, born 1779. William Gordon was a pioneer of Hopkins County, Kentucky, a lawyer, farmer, and member of the Kentucky State House of Representatives. William founded a family law practice in Madisonville, Kentucky, in 1807 which continued uninterrupted until 1965 when President Johnson appointed James Fleming Gordon, the great-great-grandson of William's brother, John Gordon III, to the Federal bench. William and his



wife, Averella Darnaby, had seven children, the second being James E. Gordon of Pinckneyville.

James and Lucy Gordon had four children, the eldest being William Grayson Gordon. "Billy" was involved in one of the most audacious events to occur in Perry County's history. Billy was a Pinckneyville constable and coroner who in 1872 captured a Missouri desperado by the name of Sam Hildebrand. Sam was wanted in at least four states for murder and was responsible for up to 100 killings in his ten year crime spree. Billy, a member of Southern Illinois' 18<sup>th</sup> Illinois Regiment during the war Between the States, confronted the outlaw outside of Bischof's Saloon and boldly rushed headlong into a circle of the outlaw and his friends. Billy left the larger Hildebrand dazed and reeling after some fierce hand-to-hand fighting. Hildebrand's friends stood transfixed by Billy's audacity and, thus, could not react quickly enough to assist their comrade. Shortly thereafter, Hildebrand was shot dead by Constable John Ragland in an escape attempt.

James and Lucy were also the parents of Lucy Averella Gordon, who married Canadian immigrant, William E. Dunn. Their progeny are the members of the prominent Dunn family of Pinckneyville, including their grandson, the recently retired Illinois State Senator, Ralph Dunn. Another daughter, Mary Louisa Gordon, wife of Constable Matthew Charlton, was one of the area's first teachers and organized the Sunday School at the First Baptist Church of Pinckneyville. Their son, J. Quinn Charlton, was elected Perry County Sheriff in 1914. He died tragically on the Public Square in 1922 as he went to the aid of a disturbed citizen named Stevenson, who was threatening to kill himself with a knife which he was brandishing. While trying to calm the man, Stevenson suddenly thrust the weapon at Quinn Charlton, severing his carotid artery. Mary Gordon Charlton lost five of her other seven children in their infancy and youth including two in a tragic manner. She died in 1936 at the age of 93, a lady whose spirit was never broken in spite of the overwhelming tragedy in her life. Their fourth and last child was Laura Ann Gordon, who married W.S.D. Smith. Smith was a long-time county clerk whose impeccable handwriting can be found on so many of the county's early documents. Laura Gordon gave birth to 14 children (only 6 survived to adulthood), including the seventh born, Elsie. Elsie died in 1980 at the age of 97. She was the wife of former State Senator, Harry Wilson.

William Grayson Gordon married Mary Julia Vineyard in 1869. She was the daughter of Robert Vineyard and Catherine Ogie Willis. Robert died of cholera at the age of 32 and Catherine subsequently married Richard M. Davis, States' Attorney of Perry County. Catherine and Richard Davis, along with Lucy Jones Gordon (by then, Lucy Malone, as James Gordon had died in 1855) were three of the original nine founders of the First Baptist Church in Pinckneyville in 1865. William Grayson and Mary Julia Gordon were the parents of three children, the eldest being Edward William Gordon, a Pinckneyville mine engineer. Edward William Gordon married Sophie Margaret Hepp, daughter of George Jacob Hepp and Elizabeth Mueller, in 1903. The Hepps operated a delicatessen and general store on the west side of the public square from the 1870s until George's death in 1903. Edward and Sophie were the parents of six children. Their two daughters, Julia

Elizabeth (born 1911) and Ruth Marie (born 1915) are the only survivors of this couple.

Julia E. married Frank Romeo of Du Quoin in 1934 and they made that city their home until 1957 when they removed to Orange, California. Their children, Carole Ann, Frank Jr., and Gloria Jean attended area schools in their formative years and all currently live in Orange. Carole Ann and husband, Russell Huhn, are the parents of Kristi Lee Crisp (born 1969), wife of John O. Crisp, and Timothy Gordon (born 1972), married to Amy Beyl. Frank Jr.'s children are Frank Joseph III (born 1968) and Robin Nicole (born 1974). Gloria Jean is the mother of Melissa Lea Jeffery (born 1972).

Ruth married Willard Neal of Du Quoin in 1935 and lived in Du Quoin until recent years when her health necessitated a move to Hammond, Louisiana where she could be near her son, Dr. Bill Neal and family. Bill Neal is a former Du Quoin High School basketball standout who now is a member of the faculty of Southeast Louisiana State University. He and his wife, Rita Bradley, are the parents of two children. Jody Lynn Neal (born 1968), wife of Martin Domingue, and Michael Scott Neal (born 1971), a baseball player with the Cleveland Indians' organization and married to Lesley Oliver. Jody and Martin are the parents of a son, Joseph (born in 1995). Joseph represents the 12<sup>th</sup> generation in a direct line from John Grayson, Sr. of Virginia.

## GREER-BAHRE

Carolyn Marie Bahre was born 1 April 1917 to Charles Edward Bahre and Otilia Sophia Keiner. Their home was five miles west of Du Quoin, Illinois. On 18 September 1935, Carolyn was married to Russel Joseph Greer, son of James Elmer and Aurora La Belle Stanton. Russel and Carolyn were the parents of five children, Dale Russel, Marian Bahre, Janet Ruth, Jo Ann, and Charles E. Greer. All five are living in Perry County and have produced twenty-six grandchildren for Russel and Carolyn.



*L to R Back Row: Carolyn and Russel Greer; L to R Middle Row: Dale, Janet, and Marian; L to R Front Row: Jo Ann and Charles.*

Russel was killed in a mine accident, 13 January 1951. They had just bought a home 1 1/2 miles south east of Swanwick, Illinois. On 1 August 1951, Carolyn and her five children moved to their new home. They had lived in the Cudgetown community for 16 years. Their children all grew up in the Swanwick area, married, and moved to homes of their own. When the youngest, Charles E. Greer, went to the Army (Vietnam War), Janet and her husband, P. William Kocian, bought the Greer farm near Swanwick.

The mother, Carolyn Bahre Greer, went to work at Lincoln, Illinois in 1963. Carolyn worked there 5 years, then moved to Murphysboro, Illinois and worked for 3 years. From there she worked at the Randolph County Nursing Home a few years before transferring to Monroe County Nursing Home from which she retired in April 1989. During the time she attended school or college at Carbondale, Bloomington, and St. Louis University, graduating with an Associate Degree in Dietetics.

Carolyn has twenty-six grandchildren and twenty-nine great-grandchildren. Her retirement hobby is quilting, both for herself and professionally. She also does volunteer work for Perry County Museum, St. Paul's United Church of Christ of Pinckneyville, and Swanwick Cemetery Association.

I, Carolyn, can remember when Scott Field was still being built. It was a base for airships (Dirigibles). We were excused from classes at school to see airplanes and air ships fly over.

## GROTT

Joseph Grott was born 3 March 1879, one of thirteen children born to Valentine and Julianna Mozelewski Grott. Valentine was born in Krucz, Czarnekow, Posnan 14 February 1834 and Julianna on 1 January 1853 in Romanowo, Czarnekow, Poznan where they wed on 3 July 1870. With the sale of his farm in Krucz and savings from his pay while serving in the Prussian Army, Valentine immigrated in 1872, leaving his wife to join him in Chicago the following year. In June 1873 he purchased 160 acres in Bolo Township from the ICC. Julianna's parents, Adalbert and Catherine Gryka Mozelewski, brothers, Frank (married Marianna Dudzik) and Andrew (married Cecilia Pawlowski), and sister Marianna (married Jacob Jessa) also settled in this same area that became known as Posen.



*Rose Dalman and Joseph Grott.*

Joseph's siblings were: Mary November 1876-30 March 1913 married Andrew Bartoszkiewicz; Lea March 1883-22 October 1920 married John Malawy; Elizabeth 26 October 1885-19 May 1962 married Joseph Pokorney; John 9 February 1888-4 February 1973 married Antonina Kozuszek Gogolek; Zygmunt March 1890-29 July 1926 married Katarzyna Kluczynski; Sophia 24 July 1892-18 October 1977 married Joseph Kachuba; Valentine (Bill) 24 October 1894-26 August 1977 married Wanda Frost; Julia 8 June 1898-11 May 1987 married Michael Dlubala. Frank, Andrew, and twins, Eva and Magdalen, died in infancy.

Joseph was baptized at St. Charles, Du Bois where he was married to Rozalia Dalman on 7 May 1900. He was among the parishioners who joined



the present church of St. Charles parish and some of their children were baptized there.

Joseph and Rose were farming on Three Mile Prairie in Pilot Knob Township when their first three children were born. In 1907 they purchased the Mike Piotrowski farm in Perry County. He sold this property around 1918 to Adam Pelker. His last farm is located on Route 51 on the north end of Tamaroa. Other than a few years, he worked in a factory in Detroit, Michigan during World War II, he lived there until his death 16 November 1948 in Marshall Browning Hospital, Du Quoin. After Rose's death 29 July 1959, their son Stanley bought the farm from the estate and it remains in the family today with Bob and Jeanne nee Pierce Grott living there.

The children of Rose and Joseph were Peter 11 June 1901-6 March 1995; Josephine 24 February 1903-20 April 1977; Michael 6 February 1905-10 May 1906; Frances 19 February 1907-20 January 1992 married Alex Marchwinski 3 June 1924; Gertrude 13 March 1912-18 February 1994 married Leo Marchwinski 18 August 1930; Leo 3 May 1918-14 February 1990 married Jean Sikorski and Evelyn ?; Lucille 29 November 1920-16 April 1974 married Ben Czerwinski. Still living are Stanley married to Marie Boyle and Dominic married to Mary Kloss.

Joseph and Rose are buried in Immaculate Conception Cemetery, Tamaroa. *Submitted by Janet Czerwinski Marence*

## GRUBB-WYLIE

Ruby Marie Wylie Grubb (born 24 September 1927, Swanwick, Illinois) is the fourth of nine children of Charles Theodore Wylie (13 May 1896-19 September 1960) and Alta May Guy Wylie (24 December 1901-6 July 1988) of Swanwick, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were William Theodore Wylie (1851-1909 or 1919) and Nancy Louvica Woodside (13 September 1859-13 July 1935) from the Grandcote area. Maternal grandparents were Albert Burton Guy (2 June 1857-3 March 1930) and Sarah Jane Shook Guy (24 December 1871-7 September 1908) from the rural Swanwick area. Charles Theodore Wylie was a carpenter, Watkins salesman, and farmer. Alta May was a homemaker. All buried at Swanwick Bethel Cemetery.



*L to R Back Row: Virginia and Gary Grubb; L to R Front Row: Karen, Ruby, and Ron Grubb.*

Ruby was graduated from Acheson School located west of Wylie's (later destroyed by fire) to where she and members of her family walked a distance of five miles round trip, Coulterville High School, 1946, and earned a B.S. in Elementary Education from Northern Illinois University in 1976, DeKalb, Illinois. Ruby's husband Dr. Donald Ray Grubb (8 June 1924-20 November

1992) rural Vergennes, Illinois was the fourth born of Robert Blacklock Grubb, prominent early settlers in Jackson County. Robert B. Grubb (21 February 1891-16 November 1970). Donald's maternal grandmother was Kathleen Lee Davis Grubb (6 September 1892-3 June 1965). Donald is buried in Tower Grove Cemetery, Murphysboro, Illinois. His parents are buried in Westminster Cemetery, Midway City, California. Donald was a Professor of Journalism at Southern Illinois University 1949-1959, then moved the family to DeKalb, Illinois where he organized the Journalism Department at Northern Illinois University.

Ruby and Donald were married 24 July 1948, First United Methodist Church, Carbondale, Illinois. Virginia Kay was born 19 January 1951, Gary Wayne 16 July 1952, and Karen Faye 20 January 1958, all in Doctor's Hospital, Carbondale, Illinois. Virginia married Dan Ellsworth Seymour 2 August 1975. They have a daughter Gwyneth Lenore (born 3 June 1984). Gwyneth plays piano, violin, and cello, manages a basketball team in her school, is active in church, and an A student. Virginia is employed in Publications at Northern Illinois University. Dan is employed at Turner in Sycamore, Illinois.

Gary married Kathleen Parker, 23 June 1973 in Chicago, Illinois. Their children include Sarah, Michael, Rebecca, Elizabeth, Emily, Christopher, Allison, Laura, David, Rachel, and Parker L. Grubb. Kathleen (11 April 1952) is a nurse. Gary is employed with the PM Group, Battle Creek, Michigan.

Karen Faye Grubb is a professional photographer, is a Lifetime Member of the Jackson County Historical Society as an active member, has been on many softball teams, dowses for unmarked graves, and is employed at Northern Illinois University, DeKalb, Illinois.

Ruby and Donald enjoyed traveling and trying new restaurants. Donald organized trips to Berlin, for East-West Relations before the wall came down, for participants in the many Seminars held. The last trip was a few weeks after the wall came down. They were active in the First United Methodist Church and the Heart Association. Ruby enjoys reading, cooking, and making old-fashioned comforters. As a teenager, she and her sisters, Clara, Anna, and Mildred, sang as a quartet at various community events. The outstanding event was performing at Menard Prison, for 2400 prisoners. Ruby is a member of Northern Illinois University Alumni, DeKalb Company Farm Bureau, Northern Illinois University Women's Club, member of a dine-out group, and a member of the Church Circle.

Charles T. Wylie's family lived on a farm two and one-half miles north of Swanwick. They raised cows, hogs, and chickens for consumption. Alta made most all food from "scratch" and canned fruit, vegetables, and meat. Butter was made in a hand-turned churn from cream off the milk, and cottage cheese from the milk. Birthdays were celebrated with hand-turned freezer ice cream and cake. Fourth of July was celebrated with picnics and fireworks. Barn dances in the area were popular. Some dances were held in homes. *Submitted by Ruby Marie (Wylie) Grubb*

## GRUNER

Philip Adolphus Gruner, Sr. was born in Ittlinger, Baden, Germany, and emigrated to the United States in 1848. After living in New York,

Pittsburg, and St. Louis he finally settled in Chester, Illinois. In 1851, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Elizabeth Bart, whose maiden name was Zang. She was born in 1825 in Allenback, Prussia, and in 1836 arrived in Baltimore, Maryland from where she moved to Indiana and later to Chester, Illinois. In 1854 the couple came to Pinckneyville where Mr. Gruner founded the firm of P. Gruner and Sons, which he managed for many years. At the celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary it was noted that Mr. Gruner had the distinction of being the oldest merchant in Pinckneyville, or for that matter, in Perry County.



*L to r.; Homer Gruner, Maude, Marjorie, Jeanette, and Phillip Gruner.*

Sons, Philip A., Jr. and George went into the hardware department and Charley operated the tin shop which the firm maintained. For 10 years after Mr. Philip Gruner's death in 1901, the firm operated under the name of Gruner Brothers. Philip A. Gruner became the sole proprietor of the business in 1914 and carried on its operation with the assistance of his two sons, Homer and Curtis. Upon their father's death in 1915 Homer and Curtis formed a partnership that existed until 1932. At that time Homer took over and, with the help of his wife, Maude, further expanded the business by the addition of a line of gifts.

On 16 December 1945 disaster hit. A fire that completely destroyed the building and most of the merchandise would have whipped a less resolute couple than Homer and Maude Gruner. They, however, immediately rented a building and continued selling hardware until the keys to their new, completely modern building on the town square were turned over to them by the contractor in March 1945. Mr. and Mrs. Gruner were soon doing more business than ever. They were also very active in the Methodist Church as well as in community affairs. Homer served as Mayor of Pinckneyville for several years.

Their son, James Philip, known about the town as "Jimmie," worked in the store with them before and after his three year hitch in the Navy Air Corps. His final year of studies at Bob Jones University was interrupted by the illness and subsequent death of his father in December 1953. He, as the three generations of Gruners preceding him, proved to be an able hardware man until the store was finally sold in 1965.

Homer and Maude also had two daughters, Marjorie Gruner Keene and Jeanette Gruner Evans, eight grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren. Marjorie and her husband, David Keene and their three children lived in Pinckneyville until 1957 when they moved to Carbondale, Illinois. Marjorie now resides in Homestead, Florida. Jeanette and her husband, Robert Evans, were missionaries in Europe where they lived with their two children in France for 42 years. They now live in Naples,



Florida. Phil lives in Nashville, Tennessee with his wife, JoAnn, his first wife, Ande, having died in 1993. They have three children.

## GRUNER-BART

Philip Gruner (1829-1904), born in Germany, landed in New York in 1848. He moved to Pittsburgh briefly, then to St. Louis and later to Chester, Illinois. There he married Elizabeth Sang Bart, widow of John Bart. They moved to Pinckneyville in 1854. Elizabeth already had one son, John Bart, (another son died in infancy), then Phillip and Elizabeth had three sons, George, Phillip, and Charles.



L to R Back Row: Ian Ballantine, Valerie, Mark, and Robin Gruner; L to R Front Row: Amanda, Marsha Wiehn, Charles, and David.

George married Jennie Duckworth. They had five sons, George, Calvin, Barrett (died in late teens), Paul, and Henry Phillip (Heinie) Gruner. George married Kate Bingel (no children). Calvin married Edith Keene and their children were: Opal Gruner Livingston, Jewel Gruner Ullman, Pearl Gruner Holder, Eugene Gruner, and Kenneth Dean Gruner. Paul married Josie Wood (no children). Henry Phillip married Opal Mae Helvey; their one child, Charles Ralph (born 1931) married Marsha Faye Wiehn of Du Quoin in 1958 and now lives in retirement from the University of Georgia in Athens, Georgia. Charles and Marsha had two children, Mark Harriss (born 1959) and Valerie Jo (born 1961). Mark H. Gruner married Robin Scheeff of Indianapolis in 1985; they had two children, David (born 1991) and Amanda (born 1996). The Mark Gruner Family now resides in Acworth, Georgia, a suburb of Atlanta. Valerie Gruner lives and operates a business in Atlanta.

Phillip Gruner married Ernie Cowans. Their two sons were Homer and James Curtis. Homer married Maud Gulley; their three children were Marjorie, Jeanette, and James Curtis. Marjorie married David Keene and had three daughters; one of them, Carol Rae, married Jerry Bass. Jeanette married Robert Evans and had two children and one of them, James Phillip, married Ande. They had 3 or 4 children. James Curtis married Dick (?) Nesbitt and had one son, Max, who married Martha Glass; they had three daughters.

Charles Gruner married Mary Stritz. One son, William, married Edna Thorpe. Another, Frank, married Beulah Davis. Their children are: Thomas, who married Mildred Noward; Donald; Milton; Maurice, who married Marion Combs; Mithilda; Albert, who married Zoe Houghland; and Robert.

John Bart, son of Elizabeth Sang Bart Gruner, founded a family involving several Perry County names, such as Biby, Williams, Bart, and Hamm, but the available genealogical information is unclear to this writer. *Submitted by Charles R. Gruner*

## GUY-REISINGER

Charles Newton Guy, the son of Jasper Newton Guy and Emma W. (Guenther) Guy was born in Grand Cote Prairie, northeast of Swanwick, Illinois on 2 November 1891. He was the next to youngest of six children, having had five sisters: Grace Guy, who died in infancy, Bertha (Guy) Kelly, Alice (Guy) Campbell, Ida (Guy) Ervin, and Justina Guy, who never married.

The early Guys of this family immigrated to this country from Alsace-Lorraine, France. Richard Guy, the great-grandfather of Charles Newton Guy, was born 15 January 1787, in South Carolina; William Guy, the grandfather of Charles Newton Guy, was born 13 November 1817 in Kentucky and Jasper Newton Guy, the father of Charles, was born in Swanwick, Illinois, 9 May 1855. With limited access to material, Charles Guy did considerable work on the Guy lineage. He jokingly stated that he ran into distant horse thieves, at which point he discontinued the project.

Jasper Newton Guy farmed his land in Grand Cote Prairie. As a young boy, Charles helped his father on the farm. Receiving a scholarship, he was able to attend Southern Illinois Teachers College (now Southern Illinois University) in Carbondale. He taught at the Franklin School, a rural elementary school near his home.

Later, Charles took an exam to work in the post office in Pinckneyville, and with his new bride, Maud (Reisinger) Guy, whom he married 20 May 1915 in Swanwick, they moved to Pinckneyville. Charles was a rural mail carrier for a period of time, driving a team of horses to deliver the mail.

He later became an employee of the First National Bank in Pinckneyville, and at the time of his retirement, he was cost accountant for Pyramid Coal Company, south of Pinckneyville.

Maud and Charles Guy had four children, Dale, a retired house painter, Doris, who married Charles Becker and lived in Wichita, Kansas, where she died 5 December 1990, David Wayne, who is a retired machinist, and Wilma, a retired school teacher. At the time of this writing, the three remaining children are living in Pinckneyville. Their parents are buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery west of Pinckneyville, and Doris (Guy) Becker is buried in Wichita, Kansas.

(For more information on the Reisinger family, see the Reisinger-Doolin entry.) *Submitted by Wilma Guy*

## HAGENE-LINDSEY

Lawrence Hagene born 21 June 1932 at Pinckneyville the 10<sup>th</sup> child of Jacob and Mary Elizabeth (Mangin) Hagene was married 3 June 1954 at Pinckneyville to Betty Ann Lindsey born 27 July 1935 in Jackson County, Illinois, a daughter of Harry and Birdie (Dehardt) Lindsey. They have 8 children: Lawrence David, Albert Joseph, William Allen, Mark Anthony, Paul Dean, Jacob Daniel, Donald Lee, and Barbara Lynn. (see Hagene-Mangin)

Lawrence David born 20 June 1955 at Fort Lewis, Washington was first married 8 March 1975 at Pikeville, Kentucky to Elizabeth Potter born August 1955 in Kentucky, a daughter of Levi and Frankie (Ray) Potter. They had one child, Leha Beth, born 27 January 1976 at Sparta, Illinois. Lawrence and Elizabeth were divorced in 1976 and Lawrence was married again on 13 Novem-

ber 1976 at Sparta, Illinois to Patricia Arlene Holt, born 17 February 1956 at Clarkville, Illinois, a daughter of John Calvin and Mabel (Morris) Holt II. They had one child, Barbara Frances, born 17 February 1977.

Albert J. born 25 February 1957 at Pinckneyville was married 3 December 1976 at Chester to Rita Faye Shockley, born 12 January 1960 at Du Quoin, a daughter of Cecil and Margaret (Brown) Shockley. They had one child, Christina Marie, born 30 June 1976 at Pinckneyville.

William Allen was born 25 March 1958 at Sparta, Illinois.

Martha Anthony born 8 November 1959 at Pinckneyville was married 11 June 1983 at Sparta to Teresa Ann Cole, a daughter of Fred and Enos (Orella) Cole, Jr.

Paul Dean was born 27 December 1960.

Jacob Daniel was born 3 March 1962, Barbara Lynn, born 5 July 1963 and died 6 July 1963, and Donald Lee born 20 September 1964 all at Pinckneyville. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HAGENE-MANGIN

Mary Elizabeth Mangin, born 19 January 1894 in Perry County, the eldest child of Frank and Katherine (Miller) Mangin, was married 21 July 1914 at Pinckneyville to Jacob Hagene born 24 November 1887 at Waterloo, a son of Nickolas and Emelia (Goodman) Hagene. (see page 130 of Volume 1). Their eleven children were: Francis Joseph, Catherine Amelia, Clarence Jake, Carl, Louis Joseph, Marcella, Jacob, Raymond W., Helen Marie, Lawrence John, and Mary Ann. Mary E. died 15 June 1969 and Jacob died 1 February 1980. (see Mangin-Miller)

Francis J., born 14 November 1915, was married 25 January 1940 to Elizabeth Mary Eisenhower born 28 January 1917, a daughter of Albert and Rose (Moschenross) Eisenhower. They had 10 children: Rosemary, Eugene Francis, James Richard, Charles Edward, John Raymond, Janet Louise, Judith Elaine, Kenneth Gerard, Edward Joseph, and Roger Lee.

Catherine A., born 14 October 1917 near Pinckneyville, was married 17 May 1938 at Pinckneyville to Raymond C. Hagler, born 2 February 1911 at Pinckneyville, a son of Joseph and Lena (Schneider) Hagler. Raymond and Catherine had 3 children: Ruth Ann, Donald Joseph, and Karen Marie. Catherine A. died 6 June 1969 at Belleville and is buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Belleville, Illinois.

Clarence Jake, born 15 October 1919, was married 17 May 1947 to Annabelle Mary Flure, born 7 July 1921 at Pinckneyville. Annabelle was first married to Paul Schneider. Clarence and Annabelle had 6 children: Marilyn Jane, Anthony Joseph, Michael Clarence, Dorothy Ann, Leo Francis, and Steven James. Annabelle died 29 January 1979, and Clarence married a second time to Elsie (Burns) Vincent, born about 1923. She died 16 February 1989 at Belleville and is buried in Caledonia Cemetery, Sparta, Illinois. Clarence died November 1988 and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery. (see page 130 Volume 1 History Book)

Carl was born 15 October 1919 at Pinckneyville, died 18 January 1931 at Murphysboro, and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Louis, born 4 May 1921 was married 12 August 1941 to Bernice Rose Kellerman, born 1 Oc-



tober 1923. (see page 130 Volume 1 History Book)

Marcella was born 31 January 1923 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, died 26 September 1936 at St. Louis, Missouri, and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery. Jacob Jr. was born 16 February 1925 and died 17 March 1926.

Raymond, born 2 November 1928 at Pinckneyville, was married 10 May 1952 in California to Leona H. Schwarz, born 14 December 1928 in Perry County, a daughter of Louis and Emily (Mayer) Schwarz. They had no children.

Helen M., born 29 July 1930, was married 15 October 1949 to Homer J. Schafer (see page 298 Volume 1 History Book)

Lawrence, born 21 June 1932, was married 3 June 1954 to Betty Ann Lindsey, born 27 July 1935. They have 8 children: Lawrence David, Albert Joseph, William Allen, Mark Anthony, Paul Dean, Jacob Daniel, Donald Lee, and Barbara Lynn. (see Hagene-Lindsey)

Mary Ann, born 7 January 1937 at Pinckneyville, was married 8 June 1954 at Pinckneyville to James Matychowiak, born 18 June 1934 at Belleville, a son of Edmund and Eva (Nikrant) Matychowiak. They adopted 2 children: Kevin James and Angela Ann. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HAGGARD-FREEMAN

James Haggard was born about 1770, and died 4 April 1838. James married (1) Elizabeth Freeman about 1791. James married (2) Rebecca Ellison, 7 January 1807. James married (3) Jane "Jenny" Dunkard, 16 February 1810.

Children of James Haggard and Elizabeth Freeman are: 1) John Samuel Smith Haggard, born 17 December 1791 in Surry County, North Carolina; died 28 May 1848 in Perry County, Illinois. John married Sarah Smith, 7 April 1810 in Roane County, Tennessee; 2) Alfred L. Haggard, born about 1799; died 1875. Alfred married Anna Smith Hix about 1819. Anna could possibly be a sister to the Sarah Smith, daughter of John Smith, who married John Samuel Smith Haggard. There were 2 other sisters, Frances (Smith) Jones (found in Illinois about the 1870s) and Bethsheba Smith; 3) Jonathan Haggard, born about 1801. Jonathan married Sarah Brown about 1830; 4) Washington Haggard, born about 1803; and 5) William G. Haggard, born about 1805.

Child of James Haggard and Rebecca Ellison is G. Willison Haggard, born about 1809. Willison married Charlotte Sally "Lotty" (last name unknown).

Children of James Haggard and Jane Dunkard are: 1) James E. Haggard, born about 1815. James married Martha G. Wilson, 30 March 1848 in Jackson County, Georgia; 2) Martha "Mattie" Haggard, born about 1816. Martha married John Milton Carroll, 1830; 3) Robert Martin Haggard, born 15 October 1819; died 7 June 1903. Robert married (1) Mary C. Fisher and (2) Barbara J. Sailor, 1840; 4) Mattie Haggard, born about 1821; 5) Frances Haggard, born about 1823; 6) George M. Haggard, born about 1828; died about 1890. George married (1) Sarah DeWhit, 25 June 1856 and (2) Elizabeth Davis Stanton, 15 November 1867. Elizabeth could have been married to a Davis first since Davis is given on almost all marriage records of her children. Obituary shows Elizabeth Stanton; 7) Everilda Haggard, born 15 May 1830 and died 15 August 1875; 8) Lititia Haggard, born about 1834. Lititia married Ned A. Winsitt, 21 June

1855; and 9) Eliza Jane Haggard, born 1838. Eliza married William H. Lightfoot, 27 March 1859.

## HAGGARD-SMITH

John Samuel Smith Haggard was born 17 December 1791 in Surry County, North Carolina, and died 28 May 1848 in Perry County, Illinois, son of James Haggard and Elizabeth Freeman. John Haggard married Sarah Smith, 7 April 1810 in Roane County, Tennessee, daughter of John Smith.

Children of John Haggard and Sarah Smith are: 1) Guilford Harriss Haggard, born 7 May 1814 in Roane County, Tennessee; died 11 December 1874 in Perry County, Illinois. Guilford married Mahala Goocher, 30 September 1832 in Perry County, Illinois; 2) Maria Haggard born 1815 in Tennessee. Maria married (1) John Bardmoss 1 December 1831 in Perry County, Illinois, and married (2) William B. Mifflin 3 September 1846 in Perry County, Illinois. Maria and her spouses lived in Jackson County, Illinois most of their life and they are buried in that county; 3) Deniza Haggard, born 1817 in Tennessee. Deniza married Eber Jones, Sr., 3 December 1835 in Perry County, Illinois; 4) Missouri Haggard, born 15 August 1822 in Tennessee; died 26 February 1856 in Perry County, Illinois and buried in Jones Cemetery N.E. Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Missouri married Philip Cockle Coyett Provart 16 December 1840 in Perry County, Illinois. This was Philip's second marriage; 5) Bethsheba Haggard born 1824 in Tennessee; died 1896. Bethsheba married Hosea Harriss, 9 June 1842 in Perry County, Illinois; 6) Louisanna Haggard, born 1825 in Tennessee. Louisanna married (1) Butler Nace, 4 September 1845 in Perry County, Illinois and (2) William Dial, 1864 in Perry County, Illinois; 7) Jane Smith Haggard, born 1827 in Perry County, Illinois. Jane married (1) Nathan T. Kelley and (2) William Mancil Jones 15 August 1844 in Perry County, Illinois; 8) Samuel Haggard; 9) Patsy Smith Haggard, born 1832 in Perry County, Illinois. Patsy married John Smith, 29 March 1849 in Perry County, Illinois.

John and Sarah lived in Bedford County, Tennessee until about 1825. John was a teacher. They had five children in Tennessee and four more after they arrived in Perry County, Illinois.

John served in the War of 1812 under Captains Neilson and Baker in the Tennessee Militia and Volunteers from 30 September 1810 until January 1814. John was acting Corporal under Captain Baker.

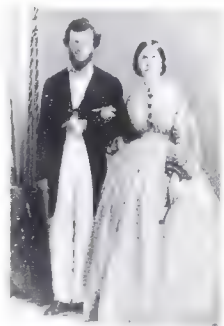
John Samuel Haggard taught the first school held in Paradise Precinct in 1830. John died 28 May 1848 in Perry County. Soon after his death Sarah applied for his pension and bounty land. She received over 160 acres by 1852 and her pension amounted to about \$8 per month.

Family members are buried in the Paradise Prairie Baptist and the Primitive Baptist Cemeteries. Sarah Haggard died in 1884. Sarah and John were married at her home with her father John Smith and sister, Frances (Smith) Jones, present. Frances lived in Jackson County, Illinois in 1871. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commenean*

## HAINES

William Austin Haines was born in 1817 to Josiah and Rebecca (Lippincott) Haines of Burlington County, New Jersey. As a young man he traveled to New Orleans, Louisiana where he

met and married Mary Thompson, the daughter of William C. and Catherine (Bobb) Thompson of Hopkinsville, Kentucky. They moved to Vicksburg, Mississippi where he was shown in the 1850 census as living with William Bobb, Mary's uncle. During this time his four children were born. They were Harry, 1850, Josiah Warren, 1852, Samuel Russell, 1854, and Elma, 1856. In 1857 they moved to Tamaroa, Illinois where they lived for ten years.



*William and Mary (Thompson) Haines.*

He was a farmer, a produce dealer, and a grain buyer. He was called back to New Orleans for two years in 1867, and returned in 1869. They lived out their years in Tamaroa. William and Mary are buried in the old section of the Tamaroa Cemetery. This family is also documented in Volume 1 of the Perry County History Book.

## HAINES-THORNBURG

Richard Kimmel Haines was born 9 December 1939 to Richard W. and Marybelle (Kimmel) Haines in Du Quoin. He graduated Du Quoin High School in 1957 and the University of Illinois in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Management. He completed OCS of the United States Marine Corps, completed the Navy/Marine Flight Program, and flew helicopters in Southeast Asia, and was awarded the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Purple Heart, and twenty-six air medals. He was honorably discharged, as a Captain in 1967.



*L to R Back Row: William, Jeanie, and Robert Haines  
L to R Front Row: Mary and Richard Haines, Jennifer and O'Malley Dreisbach.*

He was employed as an administrative assistant for the Du Quoin Coca Cola Bottling Company/Du Quoin State Fair until 1971, when he started an insurance career. He currently owns and is president of Haines and Associate, LTD, a financial services company. He is an Investment Advisory Associate/Registered Representative with FQ Financial Consultants, Incorporated.

Richard and his family are members of the First United Methodist Church where he has con-



ducted the choir since 1967 and has served as a Sunday school teacher, administrative board member, and on various committees. He has also served on the Board of Directors of: University of Illinois Alumni Association, University of Illinois Dad's Association, Wesley Foundation at Southern Illinois University, and is currently the President of the Rotary Club of Du Quoin, on the Board of Marshall Browning Hospital, the VFW, the American Legion, and the B.P.O.E.

In 1970 he married Mary Kurrus Thornburg, the daughter of Dr. William and Louise (Kurrus) Thornburg. Their children are: Jean Mary, who is employed by Savvis Communications in Clayton, Missouri. Robert Andrew, who is a mechanical engineer and graduate of Southern Illinois University, and partner in Spinnaker, Incorporated of Du Quoin. Jennifer (Mrs. O'Malley Dreisbach), a graduate of St. Louis University, is employed by National City Bank of Louisville, Kentucky. William Richard, a graduate of the University of Illinois, is a PHD candidate at St. Louis University School of Medicine. Mary has a Bachelors of Science degree from Southern Illinois University and has taught school briefly, but is currently involved with the Genealogy Branch of the Perry County Historical Society and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She had also served as church school superintendent and teacher at the Methodist Church, and on the Du Quoin Park Board and the Public Library Board.

Richard and Mary have been patrons of the St. Louis Symphony since they were married and enjoy music and the arts as pastimes. They have made as their home the house built by Richard's grandfather, William Augustus Kimmel, and they greatly enjoy entertaining the company of their families and friends.

Richard's family is documented in Volume 1 of the Perry County History Book and Mary's family is documented in this edition, Volume 2.

## HAMMEL

(Stories containing Hammel and/or Laufer information were excerpted from the 'Hammel-Laufer Families' printed in 1978 by Martha Mae Schmidt)

Jacob Hammel born 9 May 1791 at Steinwenden, Germany came to America with his 5 children and 2 chests. They arrived 12 August 1840 from Port of Marec listed as Swiss on the Vessel Union of New Orleans. Jacob's wife Magdalena nee Laufer, whom he married 13 September 1814 at Steinwenden, Germany, died 22 December 1834 in Weltersbach, Germany. Four children also died in infancy.

This family settled near Millstadt, at Roachtown and engaged in farming. The daughters: Maria Elisabeth (married Johann George Hammel) and Catharine [married Jacob Schwartz and Michael Mueller (Miller)] stayed in St. Clair County.

Son Jacob was first married to Katharina Anhauser. Three children were born near Millstadt before the family moved to Randolph County sometime between 1852 and 1855. Jacob second married Elizabeth Rathmacher.

Son Nicholas married Dorothy Armstutz. They were the parents of 10 children. The first 3 born in St. Clair County before the family moved to the Baldwin, Illinois area.

Son Johannes born 5 May 1831 at Weltersbach, Germany married Maria Schwarz

born 6 April 1834, a daughter of John Schwarz. They moved to Du Quoin in Perry County, Illinois about 1867. Five of their ten children were born in St. Clair County. (see Hammel-Schwartz)

The father, Johannes Jacob born 1792 was second married 10 May 1850 in St. Clair County to Barbara (Mueller) Schwarz, who after her husband's death 28 June 1855 at Millstadt, Illinois went to Perry County with her stepson, John and son George. Jacob is buried in the Cemetery at Millstadt. We have now (1997) concluded that Barbara was probably also the mother of Maria (Schwarz) Hammel. Gayla Hammel of Du Quoin found that Barbara died 13 December 1884 and is buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin. She is listed as the daughter of George and Catherine (Grow) Miller.

Jacob and Barbara Hammel were the parents of 2 sons: Peter born 2 February 1848 at Millstadt, died 14 July 1849 at Millstadt, and buried 16 July 1849 in Centreville Cemetery, Millstadt, Illinois and George born 12 May 1851 at Millstadt and was living in Perry County with his mother Barbara and several other people in 1870. Next door to half brother John. We have not established the relationship of the others in the household. We have found no record of George's death. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HAMMEL-FALKENHAIN

Johann and Carolina Theresa Hammel were 2 of the children of Johann and Maria (Schwarz) Hammel of Du Quoin, Illinois. (see Hammel-Schwarz) Johann was only about 2 years old at the time his mother died in 1881, his father having died previously. This left 7 children orphans. According to the story told by Clara (Henrici) Reinhardt: 'Johann Hammel's brother Nicholas went to Du Quoin to get Johann F. to bring him back to the Baldwin area. However, because he was so young, Nicholas decided to take one of the older girls also. So Johann F. and Carolina Theresa (see Henrici-Hammel) were raised in the Baldwin area. The other children were raised by other relatives.'

Johann F. Hammel, born 31 October 1878 at Du Quoin, was married 23 November 1904 at Baldwin, Illinois to Christine A. Falkenhain born 3 February 1883 at Houston, Illinois, a daughter of Ferdinand F. and Margaret (Reppel) Falkenhain. They were the parents of 3 children: Frieda Louisa Maria, Viola Anna, and Walter Nicholas. John died 3 March 1951 and Christine died 3 May 1957 in rural Sparta. They are both buried in the Lutheran Cemetery, Baldwin.

Frieda L., born 27 August 1905 at Preston, Illinois, was married 17 October 1944 at Blytheville, Arkansas to William A. Theobald, born 27 February 1895 at Preston, a son of Charles and Susanna (Juenger) Theobald. They had no children. William died 28 December 1953 and Frieda died 14 July 1994 both at Red Bud, Illinois. They are buried in Caledonia Cemetery, Sparta.

Viola, born 17 January 1907 at Preston, was married 5 July 1928 at Ironton, Missouri to Louis Paulter, born 27 March 1907 at Evansville, a son of Frank and Matilda (Hesse) Paulter. They had two daughters: Mary Alice and Betty Lou. Louis died 3 May 1975 at Kirkwood, Missouri and Viola died 8 March 1986.

Mary Alice, born 11 August 1930 at Flat River, Missouri, was married 8 August 1953 at Springfield, Illinois to John K. Hill, born 10 Oc-

tober 1925 at Detroit, Michigan, a son of William and Anna (Kunz) Hill. They had one son, Craig, born 8 January 1956 at Springfield.

Betty Lou, born 7 February 1932 at Flat River, Missouri, was married 1 August 1953 at Sullivan, Missouri to William Vaughn, born 24 August 1931 at Olive Branch, Illinois, a son of David and Grace (Lipe) Vaughn. They are the parents of three children: Becky born 12 May 1954 at Chicago, Illinois, Sandra born 15 June 1955 at Granite City, Illinois, and Judy born 10 October 1958 at Granite City.

Walter N., born 30 May 1918 at Baldwin, was married 19 November 1944 at Baldwin to Edna Lisetta Hulda Clara Kisro, born 18 January 1926 at Baldwin, a daughter of Martin and Anna (Wirth) Kisro. They had two children: John born 30 August 1947 and Deborah born 2 May 1951, both at Sparta. Walter died 1 January 1981 at Red Bud and was buried in the Lutheran Cemetery at Baldwin. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HAMMEL-NEVILLE

Ronald Lee Hammel was born 2 January 1942 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. He was the second child and second son of Jacob Johnson Hammel born 15 March 1913 in Du Quoin, Illinois and Jessie A. Bowlin born 27 April 1917 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Ron has one brother, Larry F. Hammel, born 20 October 1939 of Du Quoin.

Ron's maternal grandparents were Louis K. Bowlin (9 August 1888-February 1966) and Viola M. Lockhart (23 January 1892-10 February 1979). His paternal grandparents were Truman F. Hammel (16 March 1892-15 March 1979) and Wilma Harris (11 December 1894-10 February 1958).

Gayla Jill Neville was born 3 March 1948 in Du Quoin, the youngest child and fourth daughter of Charles W. Neville born 2 April 1905 (died 20 February 1988) in Pinckneyville and Lula Irene Gregory born 3 June 1911 in Perry County, Illinois. Gayla's three sisters are Bonnie Lorraine Benedict born 8 October 1927 of Marissa, Lois Janet Kimzey born 16 November 1930 of Pinckneyville, and Doris Charlene Brooks born 7 May 1934 of Du Quoin.

Gayla's maternal grandparents were Charles Gregory (8 October 1874-June 1946) and Clara Loucks (11 May 1889-16 October 1982). Paternal grandparents were John W. Neville (8 January 1871-14 January 1957) and Cora Littleton (26 January 1871-3 February 1939).

Ron and Gayla were married 2 November 1968, at the home of Charles and Irene Neville in rural Tamaroa, Illinois. They have lived in Du Quoin since their marriage. They have two daughters and a son. Cynthia Jillinda born 31 January 1973; Kristi Laine born 27 June 1976; and Jonathan Jacob born 12 July 1983.

Cynthia married Michael Witbracht on 22 June 1991 at Holt's Prairie Baptist Church east of Pinckneyville. They have one daughter, Elizabeth Abra, born 25 June 1994. They live in Pinckneyville.

Kristi married Matthew Rennison on 5 August 1995 at St. Paul's United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville. They live in Pinckneyville.

The Johann Jacob Hammel family came to the United States from Germany. They arrived on 12 August 1840 in St. Louis on the Vessel Union of New Orleans.

The Neville family came to the United States from England. John Neville (1612-1664) was



among 200 settlers sent from England to settle Maryland. He arrived on 25 March 1634 aboard the ship Ark and Dove.

## HAMMEL-SCHWARZ

John Hammel, born 10 May 1830 or 5 May 1831 at Weltersbach, Germany, a son of Johann Jacob and Magdalena (Laufer) Hammel, was married 1 March 1856 to Marie Schwarz, born 6 April 1834, a daughter of John Schwarz. John and Marie had 10 children: Infant, Johann, Jacob Christian, Barbara Elisabeth, Katherine Christine, Mary, Carolina Theresa, Emma, Louisa, and John Frank. John died 12 March 1878 and Marie died 15 January 1881, both at Du Quoin. John is buried in Reg. Baptist Church Yard in Perry County and Marie is buried somewhere in Perry County.

Infant was born 16 March 1857 in Long Prairie and died 31 March 1857 at Millstadt, Illinois. Johann was born about May 1858, died 4 September 1859, and is buried in Centreville Cemetery, (now Millstadt) Illinois.

Jacob, born 10 December 1859, first married Emma Thing, born 29 April 1865. Emma died 27 April 1895 and is buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery. Jacob second married in 1899 to Lucy Harriss, born 11 July 1867. (see Hammel-Thing-Harriss)

Barbara Elisabeth was born 7 October 1863 at Millstadt, baptized 25 December 1863 at Zion's Evangelical Church at Millstadt, died 14 October 1879 at Du Quoin, and is buried in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois.

Katherine Christine, born 31 January 1866, was baptized 20 May 1866 at Millstadt. She never married and died 1 February 1885. Place of burial is unknown.

Mary, born 2 November 1869 at Preston, Illinois, was married at Du Quoin to Issiac Lollis. Mary died 15 April 1894 at Du Quoin and place of burial is unknown.

Carolina T., born 6 July 1871 at Du Quoin, was first married 8 May 1889 at Chester, Illinois to Jacob Philipp Henrici, born 31 January 1858 in St. Clair County, a son of Jacob P. H. and Elizabeth (Lauth) Henrici. Jacob died 9 June 1910 at Houston, Illinois and is buried in Lessley Cemetery, Houston, Illinois. Carolina second married 10 June 1912 at Chester to Albert Reinhardt, born 7 June 1860 at Hecker, Illinois, a son of George and Catharina (Russ) Reinhardt. Carolina died 2 January 1957 at Walsh and is buried in the Lessley Cemetery. (see Henrici-Hammel)

Emma, born 19 December 1873 at Paradise Prairie, Illinois, was married in 1905 at Du Quoin to Grant Thing, born 12 December 1862 at Du Quoin, a son of Truman and Maria E. (Brayshaw) Thing. They had no children. Emma died 7 July 1931 and Grant died 25 October 1932. Both are buried in the Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

Louisa K., born 27 March 1876 at Du Quoin, was married 5 November 1895 at Waterloo, Illinois to Benjamin J. Jansen, born 17 September 1873 at Waterloo, a son of Ben and Kathryn Jansen. Louisa died 16 February 1944 at St. Louis, Missouri and Benjamin died 3 September 1951 at St. Louis. Both are buried in Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Waterloo, Illinois. (see Jansen-Hammel)

Johann F., born 31 October 1878 at Du Quoin, was married 23 November 1904 at Baldwin, Illinois to Christina A. Falkenhain, born 3 February

1883 at Houston, Illinois, a daughter of Ferdinand F. and Margaret (Reppel) Falkenhain. Johann died 3 March 1951 and Christina died 3 May 1957, both in rural Sparta, Illinois. Both are buried in the Lutheran Cemetery, Baldwin, Illinois. (see Hammel-Falkenhain) *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HAMMEL-THING-HARRISS

Jacob Hammel, born 10 December 1859 at Millstadt, a son of John and Marie (Schwarz) Hammel, was first married to Emma Thing, born 29 April 1865 at Du Quoin, a daughter of Truman and Maria (Brayshaw) Thing. Jacob and Emma had two children: Carolina 'Callie' and Truman. Emma died 27 April 1895 and is buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

'Callie,' born 2 February 1890 at Du Quoin, was married 19 May 1909 at Du Quoin to Archie C. Harriss, born 17 July 1887 at Du Quoin, a son of John J. and Delia (Eaton) Harriss. They had three children: Hila, Dwight Hammel, and Anna Louise. Archie died 13 October 1961 at Herrin, Illinois and 'Callie' died 23 July 1973 at Los Angeles, California. Both are buried in IOOF Cemetery at Du Quoin. (see Harriss-Hammel)

Truman, born 16 March 1892 in Perry County, was married 10 December 1911 at St. Louis, Missouri to Wilma I. Harriss, born 11 December 1894 in Perry County, a daughter of John J. and Delia (Eaton) Harriss. Truman and Wilma had three children: Jake J., Lester Eugene, and Letta Maxine. Wilma died 10 February 1958 at Du Quoin and is buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Du Quoin. Truman died in 1978 and is buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

Jacob, born 15 March 1913 in Jackson County, Illinois, was married 30 October 1937 at Du Quoin to Jessie A. Bowlin, born 27 April 1917 in Perry County, a daughter of Louis and Viola (Lockhardt) Bowlin (see Volume 1). They have two children, Larry Fallen and Ronald Lee.

Larry F., born 10 October 1939 at Du Quoin, Illinois, was married 19 September 1964 at Du Quoin to Wilma Sue Pinkham. They have two children, Bethany Sue born 1 July 1968 and Kyle Mark born 21 February 1973, both at Herrin, Illinois.

Ronald L., born 2 January 1942 at Du Quoin, was married 2 November 1968 at Pinckneyville to Gayla Jill Neville, a daughter of Charles W. and Irene (Gregory) Neville. They have two children: Cynthia Jillinda born 31 January 1973 at Pinckneyville and Kristi Laine born 26 June 1976 at Du Quoin.

Lester E., born 6 June 1917 in Perry County, was married 2 November 1941 at Long Beach, California to Lois Allen, born 23 December 1917 in Texas, a daughter of Roy and Ethel (Kirkpatrick) Allen.

Luetta M., born 6 June 1917 in Perry County, was married 22 June 1945 at Du Quoin to Earl Perry, born 20 September 1909 at Vergennes, Illinois, a son of James Robert and Ollie Jane (Coffer) Perry. Earl died 25 March 1975 at Du Quoin and is buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

There are no children from either Lester or Luetta's marriages.

Jacob Hammel was second married in 1899 at Du Quoin to Lucy Harriss, born 11 July 1867, a daughter of Ned and Rachael (Statton) Harriss. Jacob died 10 February 1933 at Du Quoin, and both he and Lucy are buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HAMPTON

The family of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Hampton on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 1910 was John David, William H. Hampton, Narcissa (Wicks) Hampton, Harvey Goodnight, Louvenia Addline (Hampton) Illig, Estella Ann (Hampton) Kochersperger, Elizabeth Jane (Hampton) Felts, Perthania Margaret (Hampton) Springs, and Theresa Ellen (Hampton) Miller.



L to R Back Row: Louvenia, Estella, Elizabeth, Perthania, Theresa; L to R Front Row: John, William and Narcissa, and Harvey.

See History of Perry County Illinois, Volume 1, page 189, Kelley-Scarborough family. *Submitted by Helen Kelley*

## HANSFORD

John Hansford was born in 1806 in Wayne County, Kentucky. His parents were Thomas and Alcey Martin Hansford of Wayne County, Kentucky. Their ancestors were from Kentucky and Virginia. John married Faitha Thompson on 2 September 1828 in Pulaskie County, Kentucky. (see Thompson family history)

In 1832 John Hansford served in the Black Hawk War.

John and Faitha had the following five children: Thomas J. born 17 June 1829 in Kentucky, died 8 February 1875 in Perry County, Illinois. He served in the Civil War. His first wife was Julia A. Harriss. After her death he married Lydia A. Eads. Their children were Mary A. Catherine, Hardin T. born about 1869, Cora Mahalo born about 1872, and Frank Cicero born about 1874. Alfred, second child, died as an infant in 1831. Elizabeth Jane, born 21 December 1832 in Kentucky, married William F. Malone 20 October 1853 in Perry County, Illinois. She died 27 August 1902 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. (see Malone family history). Margaret A. born 1836 married Hiram M. Harriss 3 September 1857 in Perry County, Illinois. Hester born about 1840 married James W. Lemmons 3 March 1859 in Perry County, Illinois.

John Hansford died 10 December 1839 in Perry County, Illinois. Faitha Thompson Hansford died 8 November 1858 in Perry County, Illinois. Both are buried in the Greenbriar Cemetery near Pinckneyville, Illinois. *Submitted by RoseMary Malone Delmore*

## HARRIS-COLP

William B. Harris was born on 8 July 1931 in Johnston City, Illinois. He was the first child born to Cecil and Juanita Harris. He had six brothers and sisters: Elmer Harris, Virginia Zimmerman, Clara Miller, John Harris, Tom Harris, and Richard Harris. His maternal grandpar-



ents were Elmer and Mary Roach who lived in Johnson City and then moved to Du Quoin until their death. His paternal grandparents were Will and Verna Harris of Johnson City.



Bill and Doris Harris, children, and grandchildren.

Bill attended grade school in Du Quoin and part of high school. He then went into the Army and fought in the Korean War. He was wounded after four years and spent several months in the hospital. He came back to his parents' home, which was in Du Quoin and resided there until he got married in 1953. He moved to Rockford, Illinois and worked as a foreman for a painting company for several years and then started his own business. He came back to Du Quoin in 1973 and he and his brother took over his father's business as a Painting Contractor. After a few years, he started his own business called Bill Harris Painting. He retired in 1996 and now spends his time working on his land, boating, and fishing at City Lake in Du Quoin. He belongs to the Elks Lodge.

Doris (Colp) Harris was born on 22 January 1936 in St. Louis, Missouri. She was the first child born to Troy and Fern Colp. She had one brother, Troy Colp, of Royalton. Her maternal grandparents were Alonzo and Leoline Overturf of Royalton. Her paternal grandparents were Milton and Cora Colp of Blairsville.

Doris went to school in Royalton. She worked for eight years as head bookkeeper at a bank in Rockford, Illinois. She went to school for Cosmetology and worked out of her home in Du Quoin for several years. Then she went to work for Perry County Housing Authority for eight years. She is now Administrative Assistant at Terasys, Incorporated in Du Quoin, which is owned by her daughter and her husband. She belongs to Beta Sigma Phi sorority.

Bill and Doris were married on 14 November 1953. They have three children.

Their first born son is Bill Lee Harris who married Sandra Asa of Du Quoin on 18 July 1981. They have two children, Samantha and Steven. They reside in Naperville, Illinois, and Bill and Sandra both work at Terasys's corporate office. The next child was a daughter named Patricia who married Greg Sutton of Norris City on 23 August 1986. They have three children, Justine, Christopher, and Jesse. They reside in Naperville, Illinois and own and operate Terasys, Incorporated, which is a computer consulting firm. Their third child was a son named Kurt who married Angela Baker of Du Quoin on 8 July 1989. They have two children, Blayne and Maggie. They reside in Du Quoin and Kurt is the Perry County State's Attorney at present and Angie is not presently employed out of the home.

Bill and Doris reside in Du Quoin and attend the Baptist church.

## HARRISS-GARRETT

Johnson Harriss was born 28 December 1769 in Fairfax County or Charlotte County, Virginia, died 3 December 1868, and is buried at Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Johnson Harriss was the son of Edward Harriss (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Mary Johnson. Johnson Harriss married Anne Garrett, 1797 in Laurens County, South Carolina, daughter of Edward Garrett (2<sup>nd</sup>) and Ann West Owsley. Anne Garrett was born 23 August 1776 and died 25 August 1839 in Perry County, Illinois. Anne Garrett's ancestors have been traced back to Charlemagne.

Johnson Harriss birth and death dates may be wrong per an 3 August 1871 Weekly Tribune newspaper article which stated he was 103 years of age at that time. The newspaper says he would add another year to his extreme age in February 1872.

Children of Johnson Harriss and Anne Garrett are: 1) Edward Garrett Harriss, born 28 February 1798 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died in Los Angeles, California. Edward married Polly Morriss in Franklin County, Tennessee. Several of Edward's children were born in Tennessee. After Ed's death, Polly and children moved to Texas; 2) Jordan Harriss, born 9 May 1800 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died 25 April 1874 in Holt's Prairie, Perry County, Illinois, and is buried in Nine Mile Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; 3) Sarah "Sally" Harriss, born 26 June 1802 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died 3 October 1858 in Perry County, Illinois, buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Sarah married Laban G. Jones. Laban moved to Illinois in 1828; 4) Martha "Mattie" Harriss, born 26 December 1804 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died 1 November 1894 in Texas; 5) Mary "Polly" Harriss, born 1 March 1807 in Laurens County, South Carolina. Mary married John Gilliam in Bedford County, Tennessee. Mary "Polly" moved to Perry County, Illinois in 1828, then to Franklin County, Illinois; 6) Nancy Harriss, born 16 December 1809 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died after 1883; 7) John Garrett Harriss, born 3 March 1812 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died 22 December 1893 in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois, buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; 8) Frances "Fanny" Harriss, born 16 June 1814 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died after 1858 in Franklin County, Illinois. Frances married William Dial 14 July 1831 in Perry County, Illinois; 9) Keziah Harriss, born 5 November 1816 in Laurens County, South Carolina; died 1898 in Perry County, Illinois, buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Keziah married West Eaton; 10) Elizabeth "Betsy" Ann Harriss, born 15 February 1819 in Franklin County, Tennessee. Elizabeth married [1] James Vaughn 29 June 1837 in Perry County, Illinois, and [2] Johnson Gilliam 1849; 11) Hosea Harriss, born 11 August 1822 in Bedford County, Tennessee; died February 1891 in Perry County, Illinois and buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Hosea married Bethsheba Haggard; 12) Johnson Harriss (2<sup>nd</sup>), born 11 November 1824. Submitted by Paul Kevin Commear

## EDWARD (NED) HARRISS

The picture is of Hosea Harris, Siefert, Wilford Cavins, Edith Cavins, Ebel Hammel, Oscar Brock, Callie Hammel, Leota Brock, Eddie



Edward (Ned) and Rachel Queentillie Harriss family. Back Row L to R: Lewis Edward Harriss holding Rachel, George Seifert, Johnny Cavins, Jacob Hammel, Clarence Nephali, Brock, Avra Philip Harriss; Middle Row L to R: Maud Hill Harriss, Maggie Harriss Siefert, Carrie Harriss Cavins, Lucy Harriss Hammel, Matilda Harriss Brock, Rachel Queentillie Staton Harriss, Martha Ann Jones Staton Modglin; Front Row: Charles.

Cavins, Truman Hammel. Ned and Rachel's oldest son who died at age 22 and never married.

## HARRISS-HAGGARD

Hosea Harriss was born 11 August 1822 in Bedford County, Tennessee, and died 24 February 1891 in Perry County, Illinois, and buried in Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Hosea was the son of Johnson Harris and Anne Garrett. Hosea married Bethsheba Haggard, 9 June 1842 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of John Samuel Smith Haggard and Sarah Smith.

The Harriss family is of Welsh origin and was founded in America by Edward Harriss (1<sup>st</sup>), a native of Wales, who, when a young man, came to this country, settling in Virginia where he engaged in farming. Edward Harriss (1<sup>st</sup>) (1720-?) owned land in Charlotte County, Virginia about 1745. Edward Harriss (1<sup>st</sup>) had sons: Braddock, Minyard, Stephen, Edward II, and David. The Harriss family removed from that state to South Carolina, thence to Tennessee, and in 1829 was established in Perry County, Illinois. Johnson Harriss, son of Edward Harriss (2<sup>nd</sup>) and grandson of Edward Harriss (1<sup>st</sup>), came to Perry County, Illinois in 1829. Hosea Harriss' great-grandfather was Edward Harriss (1<sup>st</sup>). Edward Harris (1<sup>st</sup>) was in the Revolutionary War and taken prisoner by the British. (Sources: Portrait and Biographical Record of Randolph, Jackson, Perry, and Monroe Counties, Illinois, page 569, published in 1894; and Burris Dial Descendants found in the Genevieve Rainey family history collection in the Du Quoin Public Library, Du Quoin, Illinois.

Hosea Harriss was a farmer in Perry County, Illinois during the 1850 Census. The value of the real estate he owned was \$800.

Children of Hosea Harriss and Bethsheba Haggard are: 1) Edward "Ned" Marion Harriss, born 1843 in Illinois; died 1901. Edward married [1] Flo Cairns. Edward married [2] Rachel Unknown; 2) Sarah "Sally" Ann Harriss, born 21 June 1845 in Perry County, Illinois. Sarah may have been born on 23 February 1845 per grave marker; died 15 October 1896 and buried at Primitive Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Sarah Ann married Hiram Cavins, 6 September 1864 in Perry County, Illinois; 3) Eliza Jane "Janey" Harriss, born August 1846 in Illinois. Eliza married Preston Staton 1863; 4) Mary D. Harriss, born 1848 in Illinois. Mary married Mathew B. F. Jones; 5) Louisa Ann Harriss, born 1849 in Illinois. Louisa married Andrew J. Montgomery 21 December



1871; 6) Matilda Harriss, born 1851; 7) John J. Harriss, born 1855; died 1901. John married Delia C. Eaton; 8) William J. B. Harriss, born 1857; died 1889. William married Rachel Unknown; 9) Philip Provart Harriss, born 1861. Philip married Melissa Willmore; and 10) Buchanan Harris, died young. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

## HARRISS-HAGGARD

Hosea Harriss was born about 1822 in Tennessee or Paradise Prairie, Illinois. He died 24 March 1891 in Perry County, Illinois. He married Bethsheba Haggard on 9 June 1842 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He was a farmer in Paradise Prairie. One of his sons was Edward M. Harriss.

Edward (Ned) Harriss was born 1843 in Perry County, died 1893, and married Rachel Queentillie Staton on 4 December 1864 in Perry County, Illinois. Rachel was born in Paradise Prairie on 9 May 1848. She died 28 August 1927. Both Edward and Rachel were buried at the Primitive Baptist Cemetery, northeast of Du Quoin. The following children were born to this union; Edward, Matilda Jane, Lucy, Carrie, Maggie, and Avra.

1<sup>st</sup> Edward Harriss was born in 1863 in Perry County and married Maude Hill, born 7 December 1885, in 1902 at Du Quoin, Illinois. He was a coal miner. They were both buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin. They had five children as follows: Rachel, born in 1904 who married Norman Moody about 1923, Hosea, born 20 June 1906 in Du Quoin who married Inez Lynch of Patoka, Illinois, Lucy, born March 1911 who married William Acey Scarlet, born 8 May 1907, on 27 July 1932 in Perry County, Thomas, born May 1908 who married Earline Endsley; and Opal, born 2 August 1913 who married George Shoaf in 1931.

2<sup>nd</sup> Matilda Jane, born 9 September 1865, married Clarence Brock, born 10 April 1869 in Tennessee about 1888 in Perry County. He was a farmer and coal miner at Greenwood Slope mine. They were buried at the Primitive Baptist Cemetery. They had three children, two of whom reached adulthood. Oscar, born November 1893, who married Bess Dunbar, born 16 August 1898, on 29 October 1919 at Belleville, Illinois; and Leota Joy, born 14 January 1899, who married Fred Keller, born 30 September 1899, on 21 February 1920 in Perry County.

3<sup>rd</sup> Lucy, born 1867, married Jacob Hammell. She had Ebel who married Marshall Teel. Lucy and Jacob were buried in the IOOF Cemetery at Du Quoin.

4<sup>th</sup> Carrie, born 1869, married Johnny Cavins and they had four children, Edith, Ed, Wilford who married Margaret Redenour, and Russell who married Mabel Davis.

5<sup>th</sup> Maggie, born 1870, married George Siefert and they had two children. Charles who married Myrtle Beard and Clifton who married Ora Dell Elshide.

6<sup>th</sup> Avra Philip, born 2 March 1885, married Stella Ursula Johnson, born 3 February 1884. They had three children, Lawrence Avra who married Edna Thorton from Pinckneyville, Stella Matilda who married Harl Dean Pierce, and Isabel Louise who married John Wiehn. John worked in the postal system. He was promoted to the office of Postmaster of Du Quoin and served in that capacity until he retired. He died 8 November 1984 and was buried at Sunset Memorial. Isabel was an executive secretary at the Coca-Cola plant in Du Quoin until she retired. Among her recent

accomplishments, she has become a Life Master of The American Contract Bridge League. Her daughter Marsha Faye Wiehn married Charles R. Gruner of Pinckneyville. Both of them are English professors at the University of Georgia.

Other descendants now living in the area are Lucy Harriss Scarlet and her daughter, Mary Lee (Tootie) Keeler and granddaughters, Janelle Showalter, and Cindy Lou Broy. Additional descendants are Audrey Taylor, Charles Siefert, Don Siefert, Betty Dolce, Herschel Siefert, Eileen Trigoni, Marjorie Mueller, Janet Neville, Glenn Siefert, Carrie Lou Cavins Eubanks, Virginia Keller Beggs, Col Julius Hale Keller, Sue Beggs Knapp, Peggy Moody Harsy, Bernice Brock Replyuk, Mamie Lee Brock Bosso, Maretta Kay Keller Hall, Shad Hall, Rebecca Hall, Nancy Lampley, Jimmie Siefert, Tommie Siefert, and Brenda Jones.

## HARRIS-HAMMEL

'Callie' Hammel, born 2 February 1890 at Du Quoin, the daughter of Jacob and Emma (Thing) Hammel was married 19 May 1909 at Du Quoin to Archie C. Harriss born 17 July 1887 at Du Quoin, a son of John J. and Delia (Eaton) Harriss. They had 3 children: Hila, Dwight Hammel, and Anna Louise. Archie died 13 October 1961 at Herrin, Illinois and 'Callie' died 23 July 1973 at Los Angeles, California. Both are buried in the IOOF Cemetery at Du Quoin. (see Harris-Hammel)

Hila, born 22 February 1910 in Perry County, was married 26 November 1930 at Zeigler, Illinois to Lynda Spiller, born 22 September 1913 at Ozark, Illinois, a daughter of Jesse and Margret (Pike) Spiller. They had one son: Fallon Dwight 'Buddy' born 9 November 1933 at Zeigler who was married 22 August 1952 at Zeigler to Ida Nell Lingle born 7 October 1932 at Zeigler, a daughter of Monroe and Agnes (Borman) Lingle. They had two children: Roxane born 22 August 1958 and Shelly born 9 January 1960, both at Cedar Rapids, Iowa. Lynda had a picture of Emma (Thing) Hammel which she had a friend paint for her. She had a display on her wall with Emma in the center and pictures of all her descendants in frames around it. I wonder what happened to those pictures. Hila and Lynda both died in the fall of 1977.

Dwight H., born 5 November 1917 in Perry County, was first married 9 January 1943 to Delora Deudek. They had one child, Dexter, who was born 11 September 1942 at Herrin and married in October 1964 at Zeigler to Marsha Kay Muir, born 9 January 1944 at Royalton, Illinois, a daughter of Carl and Doris (Fox) Muir. Dexter and Marsha had two children: Tracy born 23 May 1965 and Windy born 20 September 1967, both at Carbondale, Illinois. Dwight second married about 1945 to Grace. No children.

Anna L., born 6 July 1921 at Du Quoin, Illinois, was first married 12 February 1942 at St. Louis to Edward Jackson, born 9 December 1921 at Bulpitt, Illinois, a son of Leo and Mary (Delong) Jackson. They had two children: Donald E. and Lynda Ann.

Donald E., born 15 April 1944 at Herrin, Illinois, was married 1 August 1965 at North Hollywood, California to Judith Lax, born 7 January 1945 at Seattle, Washington, a daughter of Nate and Grace (Rickles) Lax. They had one son, Ty Edward, born 3 May 1965 at Los Angeles, California.

Lynda Ann was born 22 October 1953 at North Hollywood, California.

Edward and Anna were divorced and Ann remarried on 19 April 1974 at North Hollywood, California to Salvadora Carbone, born 4 December 1920 at Buffalo, New York, a son of Angelo and Louisa (Manna) Carbone. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HARSHA-DUGAN

Theodore (Ted) George Harsha was born in Murphysboro, Illinois (born 17 August 1938) and is the only child of Theodore Henry Harsha and Ruth Margaret (Fleming) Harsha of Du Quoin.

Ted attended the Wheatley School, graduated from J. B. Ward School in 1952, and graduated from Western Military Academy in Alton, Illinois in 1956. Ted also graduated from John A. Logan College with an Associates Degree.

Ted joined the United States Navy. (1957-1962) After completing basic training in San Diego, California graduated from "P" school in Norman, Oklahoma and "A" school in Memphis, Tennessee. Ted was transferred to Whiting Field Milton, Florida and worked as a plane captain and maintenance trouble shooter on T-28 aircraft. Upon completion of tour of duty was honorably discharged as 3<sup>rd</sup> class petty officer.

Shirley Ruth (Dugan) Harsha was born in Centralia, Illinois (born 29 September 1939) and is the oldest of three children of Charles Dugan and Avis (Ghere) Sorrows of Centralia, Illinois. Shirley has two brothers, Wendell Dugan of Effingham, Illinois and Grady Sorrows of Du Quoin.

Shirley attended Franklin grade school, graduated from Centralia High School (1957), and attended Junior College at Centralia, Illinois. Upon completing school, Shirley was employed as a teller at the Old National Bank in Centralia.

Ted and Shirley were married 20 September 1959 and have four children. Theodore (Ted), born 26 August 1960, is working in Pinckneyville and living in Du Quoin. Pamela (Harsha) Grieder, born 17 May 1963, is a housewife living in Dallas, Texas. Margaret (Harsha) Dunn, born 10 April 1965, is living in Jefferson City, Missouri and is a Physical Therapist Assistant. Brenda (Harsha) Green, born 24 August 1972, is living in Mulkeytown and is a Registered Dietitian. Ted and Shirley also have five grandchildren: Jennifer, daughter of Ted and Susan (Heape) Harsha; Luke, Isaac, and Timothy, sons of Pete and Pam Grieder; and Stephanie, daughter of Kevin and Martie Dunn.

Ted belongs to the Masons, Shriners, and the Perry County Shrine Club. Ted serves as Assistant Coordinator with Perry County Emergency Services and Disaster Agency and as a board member on the Perry County Emergency Telephone System Board.

Shirley enjoys doing painting, knitting, and working around the yard.

Ted is retired from Consol coal mine where he was employed for 20 years and is currently working for the Department of Human Services at Chester Mental Health Center. Shirley works for Citizens National Bank as a teller where she has been employed for 19 years.

## HARSHA-HEAPE

Theodore (Ted) Grady Harsha (born 26 August 1960) was born in Milton, Florida to Theodore



George and Shirley Ruth (Dugan) Harsha. He is the oldest of four children. He has three younger sisters, Pamela Gail (Harsha) Grieder, Margaret Marie "Martie" (Harsha) Dunn, and Brenda Lee (Harsha) Green.



*L to R: Susan, Jennifer, and Ted Harsha.*

Ted attended Du Quoin Public Schools and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1979. He received a Certificate of Achievement in Welding from John A. Logan College, Carterville, Illinois in 1980. He was employed by Consol #2 from 1981-1986. Ted is currently employed by G. S. Metals in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Ted married Susan Kay (Heape) Harsha (born 25 September 1964) on 27 February 1983 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Susan is the daughter of Robert Loren and Sharon Kay (Miller) Heape. She has two siblings, Todd Robert Heape and Jill Ann (Heape) Marek.

Susan attended Du Quoin Public Schools and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1982. She currently works as a service assistant for Country Companies Insurance in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Together, Ted and Susan reside in Du Quoin with their daughter, Jennifer Dawn Harsha (born 25 February 1983).

## HARTWELL-CASEY

The family of Len S. Hartwell moved to Pinckneyville from Cambria, Illinois in 1926. Mr. Hartwell was sent to Pinckneyville to become the superintendent of the Pyramid Mine owned by the Binckley Coal Company. He stayed as superintendent through different ownership until it mined out. He retired 31 December 1959.

Moving to Pinckneyville with him were his wife, the former Grace Dexter Casey, and their daughter, Evelyn Maxine, along with Grace's sister, Rowena Casey, who now resides at Perry Manor and is 93 years old.

Before moving to Pinckneyville, they lost their first child, Wesley James, who died at the age of 2 1/2 from scarlet fever. Their other children were born in Perry County. William Edward and Mary Ellen were born on West Water Street in Pinckneyville in the home that the Hartwell's granddaughter Kathy and her husband Joel Thompson now own. The Hartwell's last child Patricia Ruth was born in Marshall Browning Hospital in 1936.

All four of Len and Grace's children are living and have fond memories of growing up in Pinckneyville. Maxine married Elmer "Jr." Lueker and they have a daughter Judy who lives in Texas and a son Steve who lives in Mt. Vernon. They have four grandsons in college and two granddaughters; they also have four great-grandchildren.

Bill married Julia Underwood of West Frankfort. They met when she was teaching school in

Pinckneyville. They now live in Hazelwood, Missouri. Bill is a retired postal worker and Julia is now a retired teacher. They enjoy traveling both home and abroad.

Mary Ellen married Henry Justice of Du Quoin, who owned the Du Quoin Iron Supply Company. They raised their children Cindy, Jim, and Susan in Du Quoin. They have 7 grandchildren and 2 step-grandsons. They have retired and now reside in Florida half of the year and back in Du Quoin the other half.

Pat married Otis "Sonny" Woolbright and had two daughters; Kathy who now lives in Pinckneyville and Peggy who lives in Beaverton, Oregon. Sonny died in a mining accident in 1959. Pat married Norman "Tex" Brostmeyer in 1961 and he adopted Kathy and Peggy. The Brostmeyer's have 3 grandsons and 1 granddaughter. They also have 1 step-great-grandson and 1 step-great-granddaughter.

## HEAPE HEAP



*Back Row (Order unknown): Fanny, Ruth A., and Ethyl Heape; L to R Front Row: Helen and Jacob Heape (boys are unknown).*



*L to R Back Row: Roy Dry, Loren George, Delbert Ray Heape; L to R Front Row: Eula Mae, Hazel (Dry), and Horace Heape.*



*Donald Heape.*



*Colleen, Barbara, Kay, Lola, Donald, and Lyle Heape.*



*Lyle and Lola Heape in 1931.*



*Heape Family, Christmas 1978.*

## HEAPE-BENSON

George Heape was born 12 November 1846 in Tamaroa, Illinois. His parents were Robert and Polly Rae (Brock) Heape (see Heape-Brock biography). George married Sarah Elizabeth Benson on 16 March 1873 in Perry County. Sarah was born 14 June 1853 in Tamaroa. Her parents were Samuel and Polly (Baker) Benson (see Benson-Baker biography).

George and Sarah were the parents of ten children. Mary (1874-1943) married Lewis Jackson (see Jackson-Heape biography), Adie (1875-1965) married Charles Merkel, Nellie (1879-1889), Scott (1881-1943) married Zola Maclin, Loucietia (1883-?) married Don Moore, Horace (1885-1954) married Hazel Dry, Lillie (1887-1986) married Vallie House, Grace (1895-1925) married Isaac Woodside, George Jr. (1889-1892), and another child who died prior to 1900. George died 17 December 1916 in Perry County. Sarah died 22 September 1924 in Perry County. Both are buried at the Benson Cemetery. Submitted by Steve Jackson

## HEAPE-BENSON

George Heape was the third son of Robert and Mary Polly (Rasbaugh) Heape. Robert, the



son of Lysias Heape and Elizabeth Heape, was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, 8 March 1817. While he was young, the family moved to Fairfield County, Ohio, where he lived until he grew to manhood. He was united in marriage with Mary, born 6 May 1822. In 1841 they moved to Perry County, Illinois, and established their home on what was known as the Logan Thimmig farm, two and one-half miles southwest of Tamaroa. They remained there until their death. Robert died 19 March 1891, and Mary died 22 March 1891.



*L to R: George Heape, Addie Heape, and Sarah (Benson) Heape; In Buggy: Ike Woodside and Grace Heape.*

George, born 12 November 1846, married Sarah Benson March 1873. George died 16 December 1916. George and Sarah lived in the family house. Their descendants are as follows:

Mary, born 31 January 1874, married Lewis Jackson, 28 October 1892.

Addie, born 18 June 1876, married Charles Merkle, 27 October 1892. Addie died 1 March 1965.

Nellie was born 23 October 1879 and died 2 March 1889.

Scott Heape, born 8 April 1881, married Zola Macklin, 13 October 1909.

Lue, born 31 May 1883, married Don Moore, 24 October 1909.

Horace, born 7 January 1885, married Hazel Dry, 30 March 1911.

Lillie, born 4 November 1887, married Vallie House, 12 March 1911. Lillie died in 1986 at the age of 98.

George was born in 1889 and died 4 December 1892.

Grace, born 24 September 1894, married Isaac Woodside, 5 February 1917.

George took some of his children to see the St. Louis World's Fair in 1903. George divided his 600+ acres among his children. Lillie received the home place. Lillie and Vallie moved into the Heape family home. Their children were Gladys (Opp), Wanda (Taylor), and Charles. Wanda's son Grant and his wife Peggy built a new home on the Heape homeplace.

## HEAPE-BROCK

Robert Heape was born 8 March 1817 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. His parents were Lyscus Sr. and Elizabeth Yeager Heep (note different spelling). Robert married Polly Rae Brock 16 January 1840 in Fairfield County, Ohio. Polly was born 6 May 1822 in Pennsylvania, Tennessee, or New York depending on what records are consulted. Robert and Polly had nine children. Jehu (1841-1924) married Charlette Clark. He had two enlistments in the Civil War. Samuel (1844-1864) died at the age of twenty in the Civil War and is buried in Marietta, Georgia at the Union

National Cemetery. George (1846-1916) married Sarah Benson (see Heape-Benson biography), Elizabeth (1849-1928) married James Wisely, Levi (1851-1854), John (Jed) (1854-?) married Harriet Benson, Robert (1857-1917) married Josephine Wolfe, Abraham (1860-1941) married Annie Kroeger, and Eliza married Albert Holden.

Robert died 19 March 1891 in Tamaroa, Illinois. Polly died 22 March 1891 also in Tamaroa, three days after her husband. Both are buried in old Miller Cemetery.

Robert's father Lyscus Sr. was born in Maryland in 1792. He owned property in Harve de Grace, Maryland. Robert's mother was born in Pennsylvania in 1792. Their other children were Lyscus (1813-?) married Hannah ?, John A. (1816-?) married Mariah Jane Faris, George (1822-?) married Elizabeth Jarvis, Abraham (1824-?) married Carolina Miller, Lyscus (1826-?) married Martha Griffith from Illinois, and Levi (1830-?).

## HEAPE-DAVIS

Todd Robert Heape (born 1 March 1963) was born in Du Quoin, Illinois to Robert Loren and Sharon Kay (Miller) Heape. He is the oldest of three children. He has two sisters, Susan Kay (Heape) Harsha and Jill Ann (Heape) Marek.



*L to R Back Row: Todd, Alex, and Susan Heape; Front Row: Dillion Heape.*

Todd attended Du Quoin Public Schools and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1981. He received a Machinist Certificate from John A. Logan College, Carterville, Illinois in 1983. He received an Associates Degree of Applied Science and Industrial Electronics from Rend Lake College, Ina, Illinois in 1986. Todd began working with K&H Construction Company in 1984 and became a partner in 1986.

Todd married Susan Elizabeth (Davis) Heape in Du Quoin, Illinois on 27 December 1986. She is the daughter of Jerry Earl and Linda Lee (Whipkey) Davis. Susan has one younger sister, Laura Ann (Davis) Cobin.

Susan attended Du Quoin Public Schools and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1983. She graduated from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois in 1987 with a Bachelors Degree in Elementary Education. She taught third grade at Tamaroa Grade School from 1988 to 1995. She currently is a first grade teacher at Wheatley School in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Together, Todd and Susan reside in Du Quoin with their two sons, Dillon Robert (born 17 February 1989) and Alexander Davis (18 February 1992).

## HEAPE-DRY

Horace Heape, the son of George and Sarah Elizabeth (Benson) Heape, was born 7 January

1885. He was the seventh of nine children—Mary, Addie, an infant who died, Nellie, Scott, Lucretia, Horace, Lillie Belle, George Jr., and Grace.

When Horace was seven, his mother inherited the Samuel Benson home place. Horace and Scott helped their father enlarge the house, build a bigger barn, dig additional wells, and still found time to race horses. Horace enjoyed playing baseball, but tragically lost an eye while catching. Traditionally, the Heape family were Campbellites. Horace, Lou, Lillie, and Scott were converted to Christianity at a Friendship Christian Church Revival in November 1900.



*Hazel Lovina (Dry) and Horace Heape.*

Eleven years later, on 30 March 1911, Horace and Hazel Lovina Dry were married at the home of her parents, Marion Carroll and Clara Isabelle (House) Dry, by her cousin, Reverend John Carroll Harriss. They bought a forty acre farm, near the Sunfield wye from Mr. George Senior, and Horace inherited an additional 80 acres from his father. Horace was a grain and stock farmer all of his life but worked as a laborer on the U.S. 51 Highway project. He and Hazel raised four children—Delbert, Roy, Loren, and Eula Mae.

To increase their income, Hazel sold farm produce. She and the children delivered butter and eggs to patrons in Du Quoin and sold to customers at their home. Until the 1950s it was quite common for farmers to "do the trading" on Saturdays—trade butter and eggs for groceries with retail grocers in Du Quoin. Hazel also cut expenses by making most of the family's clothing. Her income and expense ledgers provide interesting insights into the economics of Perry County farm life in the first half of the twentieth century.

Hard work was the rule. For recreation the family celebrated holidays and birthdays with relatives and went to the country fairs. Religious activities were a very important part of their lives. Horace, Hazel, and the children worshipped at both Friendship Christian Church and Nine Mile Baptist. Early in his marriage, Horace served as a Deacon and then an Elder at Little Vine—Friendship. Hazel was a devout Christian and student of the Bible. She taught adult Sunday School at Nine Mile and worked in the Women's Missionary Union. After Horace's death, she worshipped with Loren's family at Sunfield United Methodist Church.

Three of their children left Perry County after they married. Delbert married Irma Grob and worked for LeTourneau in Peoria. Roy married Freda Trefftz, lived in East St. Louis, and was an International Vice-President for the United Transportation Union. Eula Mae married Erskine Lee Webb and taught at Indiana University—Purdue University in Terra Haute. Loren married Minnie Bishop, served in Patton's Third Army in World



War II, mined coal, and bought his parents' farm. Horace and Hazel died in 1954 and 1967, respectively, and are interred in Sunset Memorial Gardens in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Roger Kent Heape*

## HEAPE, GEORGE

George Heape, a pioneer of Perry County, the son of Robert and Polly (Rohrbaugh), was born on 18 November 1846, one half mile north of Roots School. George went to Roots School where he sat on log benches. His teacher was B. G. Roots. Then, having short winter schools, he took his books with him to the field and when resting his team would study. At night he would go to B. G. Roots' home and B. G. would teach him his lessons. He went to school at Old Du Quoin, also Carbondale. The first school he taught was Meyers where Fred, Ed, and Bill Springer were among his pupils.



*George and Sarah Elizabeth (Benson) Heape.*

His father and mother moved here from Ohio in 1841. They lived on a farm 1/2 mile north of Roots School. His brothers were Jehu, Samuel, Levi, John, Robert, and Abe, also two sisters, Lizzie and Eliza. Samuel and Jehu were in the Civil War. Jehu returned; but, Samuel died at Marietta, Georgia in 1864. Their Grandfather was Lysias Heape (1792-1877), an uncle of Lysias (1813-1889) who was the father of Gas, Sarah, Mattie, and Thomas Heape. Robert Heape, his father, was a brother to John Miller's wife, Catherine, who was the mother of Eliza Lisenby, Mrs. Tom Stockton, and Lizzie Ford.

In the year of 1873, 16 March, at the Samuel Benson home, he was married to Sarah Benson, the daughter of Samuel and Polly Benson, by Squire William Chapman of White Walnut. Witnesses were Eliza Benson and Eliza Hawkins.

They first lived in Upper Arm. The older children went to school at Lower Arm. There all the children were born except Grace. She was born at her mother's old home. They moved into the Benson home when George Jr. was just a baby. It had two fireplaces. George chopped all his wood and split rails for his fences. They had a large woods pasture fenced with an eight rail fence he made by hand. In this pasture he had sheep, horses, four or five brood mares, cows, hogs, and a team of oxen which pulled a large sled he had made. They also had chickens, geese, ducks, turkeys, and guineas.

He loved his farm and took great interest in it. He was a great lover of horses and loved to make them look nice. He kept horses and a jack several years. He did not have a tractor nor a car but did all his work with horses.

The George Heape biography was transcribed by Roger Kent Heape from a handwritten copy given to him in 1969 by Lillie Belle (Heape)

House. Birth and death dates were inserted for identification purposes. *Submitted by Roger Heape*

## HEAPE-HOLLIDAY

Charles Jefferson "Jeff" Heape was born 9 June 1874. His parents were Jehu and Sharlotti (Clark) Heape. Jeff also went to Mr. Roots' school located south of Tamaroa, Illinois, as his father had before him. Jeff married Darlie Holliday on 22 November 1899. They bought and lived on an 80-acre farm located 1/2 mile south of the Vergennes-Elkville road. Jeff farmed and worked at the Jewel coal mine near Du Quoin, Illinois. His job was to fire the boilers. About 1922 he took his 8-year-old son, Homer Heape, to visit the mine with him. They went in Jeff's 1918 Briscoe car.

Darlie Marie Heape was born 1 August 1878 and died 4 May 1934. She was buried in Parrish Cemetery near Vergennes, Illinois. Jeff Heape (died 21 March 1974) was buried along side his first wife. Jeff had remarried to Nena Varum Heape (born on 5 February 1886 and died 27 April 1973). She was buried at Tower Grove Cemetery, Murphysboro, Illinois.

Jeff and Darlie Heape were parents of six children: Dail (1900-1984), Daisy (1902-1984), Clinton (1906-1981), Eugene (1910-1997), Homer (1914-), and Chester (1918-).

Dail attended Normal College, Carbondale, Illinois, and was a grade school teacher. She married Floyd Conrad and later divorced.

Daisy also attended Normal College, Carbondale, Illinois, and was a grade school teacher. She married Delbert Colvin and they had a daughter, Edra Del.

Clinton worked at the coal mines and farmed. He married Grace Shupe and they had a daughter named Joan and a son named Gary.

Eugene was an electrician. He married Lorene Blumenstock and they had a son named Ronald.

Homer graduated from the University of Illinois. He served in the United States Army (1942-1946) in World War II as a field artillery Lieutenant in the 36<sup>th</sup> Texas Infantry Division. This was the first United States Division to land and stay in Europe (Italy, 9 September 1943). He taught Vocational Agriculture and is raising beef cattle on a 200-acre farm southwest of Murphysboro, Illinois. He married Betty McNeill and they have a son named Dennis.

Chester graduated from the University of Illinois and became a Lieutenant Colonel of the United States Army Air Corps (1941-1947). He also served as a diplomatic courier for the United States State Department for five years. *Submitted by Homer Heape*

## HEAPE, LYSIAS

Robert Heape Jr., a farmer, married a Quaker widow, Martha (Chocke) James on 21 August 1782. Lysias Heape, their fourth son, was born on 13 July 1792, in Harford County, Maryland. His brothers were Robert, John C., and Abraham.

The first two generations of the Heape family lived near Long Corner in northern Harford County, on the Pennsylvania border, from the time that Lysias' grandfather, Robert Sr., had emigrated from England before the Revolutionary War. Lysias and his older brother, John Chocke Heape, broke with tradition by leaving Harford County and moving west. In his eighty-four-and-a-half years, Lysias lived in Maryland, Pennsylvania,

Ohio, and Illinois. His first move was north across the Mason Dixon Line into York County, Pennsylvania where he married Elizabeth Yeager in 1814. They had ten children, however, only six sons and a daughter reached adulthood: John A., Robert, Catherine, Levi, Abraham, Lysias (1826-1897), and George Washington.

In 1834 Lysias moved his family to Richland County, Ohio, just south of Mansfield. They were accompanied by York County neighbors, David Rohrbaugh and Jacob Miller. They settled near Lysias' brother, John Chocke Heape and his family, who had located in Ohio in 1816. The Heape families used sweat equity to improve their fortunes. They purchased government land at \$1.25 per acre, cleared, improved, and sold it for as much as \$6.25 an acre. Then, they migrated farther west and bought more government land at \$1.25 per acre with their profits.

In 1839 Lysias' son, John A. moved to Jackson County, Illinois. In April 1840, Lysias signed a nine year agreement to clear and improve 46 acres of land for Matthew Henderson in Richland County. So Lysias, Elizabeth, and the younger members of the family stayed to fulfill this contract when Lysias' nephews, Thomas and Lysias (1813-1891), and a neighbor, John Miller moved to Perry County, Illinois in 1840, and when Catherine and Robert followed their cousins to Perry County, Illinois a year later.

By 1850 Lysias and his family had settled near their relatives in Perry County. Lysias bought the southeast 79 acres in section 1 of Township 5 South, Range 2 West, Township 4 South, Range 2 West—north of Friendship. Religion was an important part of the Heape families' lives. While in Ohio the Heape families all joined and became active in the Christian Church. They brought their religious activism with them when they came to Perry County.

Lysias closed out his life—a pioneer—clearing away and improving virgin prairie land in Illinois. Elizabeth died in 1869. Lysias passed away in 1877. Elizabeth and Lysias are buried in the Henry Miller Cemetery. After his death, his heirs sold his farm to Ephriam Miller. *Submitted by Roger Kent Heape*

## HEAPE-MILLER

Robert Loren (Bob) Heape (born 20 December 1941) was born in Du Quoin, Illinois to Loren George and Minnie (Bishop) Heape. He is the oldest of five children. He has three brothers, Phillip George, John Horace, and Carroll Gordon, and one sister, Esther Lucille Woodside.

Bob attended elementary school in Sunfield and graduated from Du Quoin Township High School in 1959. He started working at Captain Mines in Percy, Illinois in 1964 and is currently employed.

Bob married Sharon Kay Miller (born 2 December 1942) on 25 November 1961 at the Sunfield United Methodist Church, where they are presently active members. She was born in Du Quoin and is the daughter of the late George Valentine Miller and Gladys Louise (Jones) Miller of Du Quoin. Kay attended school in Du Quoin and graduated from Du Quoin Township High School in 1960. Kay was employed by Marshall Browning Hospital as a billing clerk from 1960 until the birth of her first child.

Together, Bob and Kay have three children: Todd Robert (born 1 May 1963), Susan Kay



Harsha (born 25 September 1964), and Jill Ann Marek (born 14 January 1966). They all reside in Du Quoin with their families.



L to R: Jill Marek, Susan Harsha, Todd, Kay, and Bob Heape.

Todd married Susan Elizabeth Davis (born 24 March 1965) on 27 December 1986. He graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1981 and Susan graduated in 1983. They have two sons, Dillon Robert (born 17 February 1989) and Alexander Davis (born 18 February 1992). Todd is a partner in K&H Construction, and Susan is an elementary teacher at Wheatley School in Du Quoin.

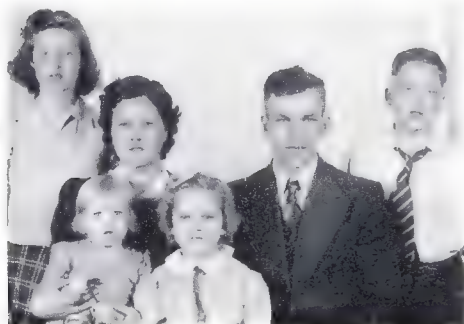
Susan married Theodore (Ted) Grady Harsha (born 26 August 1960) on 27 February 1983. She graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1982 and Ted graduated in 1979. They have one daughter, Jennifer Dawn (born 25 February 1983). Susan is a service assistant for Country Companies Insurance and Ted is a welder and employed by GS Metals, Incorporated.

Jill married Steven Anthony Marek (born 6 February 1966) on 7 March 1992. They have one daughter, Hadley Ann (born 12 January 1995) and are expecting their second child in February 1998. Jill is a homemaker, and Steven is an insurance agent for Country Companies Insurance.

See their family histories: Heape-Davis, Harsha-Heape, and Marek-Heape.

## HEAPE-RICE

Robert Heape, 8 March 1817-19 March 1891, was the son of Lysie Elizabeth Heape, born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania. The family moved to Fairfield County, Ohio where he grew up. He married Mary Polly Rasbaugh, born 6 May 1822, died 22 March 1891. Their first child was born in Ohio and in 1841 they moved to Perry County, Illinois, 2 1/2 miles southwest of Tamaroa and lived there until their deaths.



Lyle and Lola Heape and family.

Their children were Jehu, born 1841, married Charlette Clark; Samuel, born 1844, died in Civil War; George, born 1846, married Sarah

Benson; Elizabeth, born 1849, married James B. Wisely; Levi, born ?, died 1854; John, born 1854, married Harriet Benson, Abbie Cox, and Nora Wilson; Robert, born 1857, married Josephine Wolfe; Abraham, born 1860, married Annie Kreeger; and Eliza Heape, born 1864, married Frederick A. Holden.



Lyle and Lola on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary.

Robert was born 19 June 1857 and died 22 March 1917 on the anniversary of his mother's death, to the hour. He was married 6 December 1878 to Josephine Wolfe, 26 November 1860-8 July 1937.

Their children were Ossie, born 1880, infant daughter, Raleigh Everret, born 1882, married Erna Clampet; Harry Herbert, born 1886, married Mary Jackson; Ernest Vallie, born 1888, married Leoan Keith; Mary Mabel, born 1890, married Clive Manis; Albert Theodore, born 1893, married Fern Hester; Mayme Mae, born 1895, married Frank Zoeceler; George Franklin, born 1898, married Bertha Prow; Nellie Marie, born 1900, married James R. Blakely; and Guy Schrade Heape, born 1903, married Bertie Sheriff.

Raleigh Everett Heape, born 27 July 1882, died 10 December 1950, married 21 October 1906 to Erna Clampet, who died 5 August 1961. Their children were Lester, Mildred, Lyle, and Iva Lora.

Lyle Heape was born 31 January 1910. He married Lola Rice, 25 April 1931. Lola was born 5 June 1910. Their children were Leota Colleen, born 27 March 1932, Donald Wayman born 4 April 1933, Barbara Carol, born 17 September 1938, and Lyla Kay, born 8 March 1943.

Leota C. Heape married Cecil Woodside 30 April 1951. He was born 8 February 1930. They have children Michael Dale, born 27 November 1938, and Terri Lynn, born 15 June 1955.

Donald W. Heape married Phyllis Chapman, 27 August 1939. Their children are Phillip Wayman, born 27 November 1956, Douglas Wayman, born 30 December 1957, and Donna Lee, born 20 November 1960.

Barbara C. married Donald Wayne Overton, October 1957. Donald was born 28 February 1934. Their children are Cynthia Kay, born 14 September 1958, Geffery Mark, born 24 December 1959, Gordon Todd, born 19 February 1961, and Michael Wayne, born 11 October 1967.

Lyla Kay married George Bailey, 6 July 1959 and had a daughter, Rhonda, born 2 July 1960. She later married Donald Gene Danbury on 27 November 1960, and their children are Carolyn Rene, born 30 November 1963, and Kirk Douglas, born 24 September 1966. Submitted by Lola Heape

## HEAPE, ROBERT

Lysias and Elizabeth (Yeager) Heape's son, Robert, was born in York County, Pennsylvania on 8 March 1817. Robert was the second oldest of the children who reached adulthood—John A., Robert, Catherine, Levi, Abraham, Lysias, and George Washington.



Robert and Polly (Rohrbaugh) Heape.

When Robert was seventeen, his family and David Rohrbaugh moved to Richland County, Ohio, south of Mansfield. They settled near Robert's uncle, John Chocke Heape. On 16 January 1840 Robert Heape and Polly Rohrbaugh were married by Reverend Nehemiah Martin near Johnsville, Ohio. Polly's parents were residents of Shrewsbury Township, York County, Pennsylvania. In 1841 Robert and Polly, his sister Catherine, and Robert's sister-in-law Eliza (Rohrbaugh) Hawkins and her husband Napoleon Hawkins, all moved to Perry County, Illinois. Robert settled on the northeast 40 acres of Section 7, Township 5 South, Range 1 West, just north of the site of Roots School, near his cousins Thomas and Lysias Heape (1813-1889). Robert's father and the rest of his family remained in Richland County, Ohio until 1849 and then moved to Perry County.

The Heape families were pioneer farmers of the land southwest of Tamaroa. Robert prospered. He bought and sold 100 acres in sections 5 and 25 of Township 4. Then, he consolidated his land holdings, adding 120 more acres to his original 40 acre farm, until by 1876 he owned the northeast quarter section of Township 5 South, Range 1 West. Robert and Polly reared nine children: Jehu, Samuel, George, Elizabeth, Levi, John, Robert, Abraham, and Eliza. In 1862 Samuel joined the Eighty-First Illinois Infantry. He died of disease on 23 August 1864 and was buried in the National Cemetery in Marietta, Georgia. A month after Samuel's death, his brother Jehu enlisted in the Fourteenth Missouri Cavalry.

After the Civil War, Robert's brothers, Abraham and Levi, left Perry County to homestead farther west. Abraham moved to Montgomery County, Kansas in 1879, and Levi settled first in Jackson County and then moved on to Oklahoma. Robert and Polly's children, Jehu, John, and Elizabeth also moved to Jackson County, Illinois. Jehu married Sharlotti Clark. John was married to Harriet Benson, Abbie Cox, and Nora Wilson. Elizabeth married James Wisely and settled in Vergennes. Their other children: George, Robert, Abraham, and Eliza remained in Perry County. George married Sarah Elizabeth Benson, Robert married Josephine Wolfe, Abraham married Ann Kroeger, and Eliza married Frederick Holden.



Robert and Polly joined Friendship Church of Christ in October 1873 and were active members. "Uncle" Robert, as he was called, was regarded as a good neighbor. He became ill in the spring of 1891 after attending to the sick of the community. Robert and Mary died on 19 and 21 March 1891, respectively and were interred in the Henry Miller Cemetery. *Submitted by Roger Kent Heape*

## HEAPE-ROHRBAUGH

Robert Heape was the son of Lysie and Elizabeth Heape. He was born in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, 8 March 1817. While he was young, the family moved to Richland County, Ohio, where he lived until he grew to manhood.

On 16 January 1840, Robert Heape married Polly Rohrbaugh in Richland County, Ohio. Polly had been born 6 May 1822. Their first son Jehu "Jed" was born on 19 March 1841. That year Robert, Polly, Jehu, and relatives moved to Perry County, Illinois.

Robert and Polly bought 40 acres just north of the Roots School and remained there until her death. Robert died 19 March 1891, and Polly died 22 March 1891. They were buried in the Henry Miller Family Cemetery, Tamaroa, Illinois. (Mr. Roots was the only teacher Jehu ever had).

In 1862, Jehu's brother, Samuel, joined the 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry. He died on 23 August 1864, and was buried in the National Cemetery in Marietta, Georgia.

A month after Samuel's entry, Jehu enlisted in the 14<sup>th</sup> Missouri Calvary. Missouri paid \$200 bounty in gold. He received his honorable discharge as Sergeant in 1864. On 29 August 1869, Jehu married Sharlotti Clark from Indiana. Sharlotti was born in 1847.

Jehu's family was living in Perry County, Illinois, during the 1880 Census. Shortly thereafter, they moved to Vergennes, Jackson County, Illinois. Jehu farmed and worked a number of jobs to provide for his family. A 1907 newspaper article on a Heape family reunion stated that "Jehu owns a fine farm. He is also a threshing machine man and holds the office of Township Highway Commissioner." Sharlotti Heape died in 1911 and was buried in the Parrish Cemetery near Vergennes, Illinois. Jehu died on 23 October 1924 and was interned along side of his wife.

*Submitted by Homer Heape*

## HEINE, WILHEIM

William (Wilhelm) John Heine was born in 1823 in Brdnghouse, Germany and died in Cutler in Perry County, Illinois. His wife Gert Louise (unknown) was born 1823. William and Louise had four sons. Fred Heine was born 29 January 1842 in Germany, died 9 May 1929, and is buried at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Chester, Randolph County, Illinois.

Fred and his wife Emily M. had three children, Albert, Elizabeth, and Stella. Henry W. (Heinrich) Heine was born in 1848 in St. Louis, Missouri and died in 1933 in Randolph County, Illinois. Henry and his wife Anna Bessen had eight children, Charles Francis, Albert, Joseph, Hugo, Henry, Louie, Clara, and Mary. John G. was born after 1856 in St. Louis, Missouri, died 24 December 1908 in Randolph County, Illinois, and is buried in Evergreen Cemetery in Chester, Illinois. John G. and his wife Octavia Montroy had two children, William John and Gus. Frank William

Heine was born 20 October 1851 in St. Louis, Missouri and died 14 July 1936 in Perry County, Illinois. Frank's wife Marsha Theresia (Queenie) Miller was born 23 January 1857 and died 5 November 1910 in Perry County, Illinois. Frank and Queenie are both buried at St. Joseph's Cemetery in Willisville, Illinois. Frank and Queenie's children were Alice born in 1876 and Edward born 29 May 1877 and died in 1877. Alice and Edward were buried on the family farm, but were reinterred in 1948 in St. Joseph Cemetery, Willisville, Illinois. Josephine M. was born 29 May 1877 in Randolph County and died 30 June 1965 in Jackson County. Josephine married her husband, William Clinton, 3 September 1917 in Perry County, Illinois. Their children were Francis William born in 1918 and died 16 February 1965 and Mary Henreata (Hattie) born 5 November 1879 in Bremen, Randolph County, Illinois. Hattie married Peter L. Schwebel who was born 14 November 1874 and died 30 August 1918. Hattie's second husband, Charlie Miller, was born 15 February 1873 and died 12 February 1956. Hattie's children were William, Dora, August, Mary Schwebel, and Edward, Ella, Clarence, and Marian Rose Miller. Ivedey Freddy was born and died 10 February 1882 in Perry County, Illinois and is buried in St. Joseph Cemetery, Willisville, Illinois. Frank Lee was born 17 August 1885 in Percy, Illinois and died 29 November 1942. Frank's wife Mary Etta Foens was born 16 March 1888 in Cutler, Illinois and died 16 July 1930. Mary Etta was the daughter of John Rolf Foens and Elizabeth Vorderbrugge. Frank and Mary are buried at Cottom Cemetery in Denmark, Illinois. See Foens/Fones and Lively Family history.



*Martha Theresia Miller and Frank William Heine.*

William John Heine was born 8 July 1888 and died 29 December 1983. William J. married Clara Belle Higgerson 7 May 1911 in Perry County, Illinois. Their children were Wesley Francis born 19 June 1912, Lois Martha born 22 July 1913, Lola Mae born 29 August 1915 and died 17 August 1997, Vera Evelyn born 22 October 1921 and died 27 January 1997, and Kenneth Lloyd born 28 October 1933. Rose E. Heine was born 6 September 1891 and died December 1934. Elmer Rudolph was born 2 November 1894 and died 24 November 1982, and Bertha Theresia Heine was born 22 April 1898 and died 13 February 1920 in Perry County, Illinois. Bertha's husband, Albert Day, was born 13 November 1895 and died 9 September 1929. Bertha and Albert had a son Clyde Day who was born 9 September 1917 and died 18 February 1992. Research by the late Gladys L. (Heine) Bird. *Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings*

## HEINS-MORITZ

Melinda Gayle Moritz is the oldest daughter of Richard and Georgia Wolfe Moritz. She was born 23 September 1964 in the Pinckneyville Community Hospital. She attended Pinckneyville Grade and High Schools, graduating in 1982. She graduated from Southern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Education in 1986. She was a mathematics major and taught her first year at Crossville, Illinois in White County. She is currently teaching her twelfth year at Trico Junior High at Campbell Hill, Illinois. On 08 April 1989 she was married to David Harry Heins, son of Harry and Leona Twenhafel Heins of Rockwood, Illinois, at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois. David was born 10 May 1961. He attended Christ Lutheran School at Jacob, Illinois and Gorham High School at Gorham, Illinois. After graduation he received Associate Degrees from John A. Logan College, having received a Basketball Scholarship. He works for Central Illinois Public Service with the Gas Division in Carbondale, Illinois. Melinda and David have two children. Richard Chase was born 11 December 1993 and Hayleigh Gayle was born 09 September 1996 (on her paternal grandmother's birthday), both children were born at Memorial Hospital in Carbondale, Illinois. They will attend Trico School at Campbell Hill, Illinois.



*David, Melinda, Chase, and Hayleigh Heins.*

Melinda is a member of the Du Quoin Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star and a Daughter of the Nile Al Sihah Temple in East St. Louis, Illinois. David, Chase, and Hayleigh are members of Christ Lutheran Church at Jacob, Illinois and Melinda is a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## HEISLER-GREAR

Charles H. Heisler, the son of Henry and Ernestine (Turner) Heisler, was born 18 August 1911 in Pinckneyville. He graduated from the Pinckneyville high school and was employed by the Illinois Central Railroad for many years. He died 27 June 1952.

On 12 May 1939, he married Jewell Grear, born 25 December 1911, daughter of Ottis (Pokey) and Luna Grear. (Jewell told her parents that she was one gift they could not exchange.) The attendants at Jewell and Charles' wedding were Maxine Heisler, sister of the groom, and Beryl Grear, brother of the bride.

In November 1929, the Grear family moved to Pinckneyville. Jewell worked for General Telephone Company until her retirement at age 62. She lives in Marion at the present and is described by her daughter as "a great lady and mother."

Charles H. and Jewell were the parents of two children, Charlyne, born in 1940, and Charles



Edward, born in 1942. Charlyne married Jack D. Wohlwend in 1959. They are the parents of Charles Dean, born 27 November 1962, and Jaci Sue, born 8 April 1966. Both children live in Louisiana and are employed by Walgreen. Jaci Sue married Michael Planchet, 29 September 1995; Charles Dean is single.



Charles and Jewell Grear Heisler.

Charles Edward married Pat Brezezinski 5 June 1966. They have four children, Charles, Carlen, Patty, and Amanda. Charles is an Allstate agent and teaches English twice weekly at Pocatella State University.

With the name Charles for so many of the males in this family, at "get-togethers" second names are used.

## HEISNER

This is a record of the Heisner family. The name has many spellings, for example: Haeussner, Heiser, Heusner, and Hisner.

We begin with a Heinrich (Konrad) Heisner born in the area of Kassel, Germany about 1817. He came to America around 1845-1847. He married Catharina Barbara Heiner about 1847-1848 in St. Clair County, Illinois. She was born about 1827 in Hesse Kassel, Germany. They had four (known) children.

Catherina born about 1848 in St. Clair County, Illinois. She married Johan Hein, John Pabst, and Adam Diehl.

Henry Konrad born in 1850 in St. Clair County, Illinois. He married Anna Catherine LePere in 1876 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. They had 11 children. Eight of the children were born in Pinckneyville and four were born in Grand Chain, Illinois. Henry and Catherine are buried in Grand Chain. Henry was a farmer and moved his family to Grand Chain because insects had destroyed his crops. Their children are:

Charles no information on him.

Catherine Barbara who married Charlie Grubbs. They lived in Grand Chain, Illinois and are buried there. They had 8 children.

Jacob married Annie Rehg. He lived to be 108 years old. They had 7 children.

Elizabeth Mary married Fred Helmig in Grand Chain, Illinois. They had 7 children.

George John married Oma Lacy. They had 3 children.

Henry Konrad, Jr. (my grandfather) married Iva Mae Hayes in Mound City, Illinois. They had 7 children. Henry moved his family to West Frankfort, Illinois where he was a butcher and also a minister. He pastored several churches in and around his hometown. They are buried in West Frankfort. They had 7 children.

Herbert Harley (my father) was the oldest. He married Everetta Nelson Anderson. They lived

in Chicago, Illinois where he worked for the Chicago Athletic Club, then worked for the Kaiser-Mueller Photographic Studio. On learning he was to be drafted, he moved his family down to Florida near Everetta's family. While waiting to be called, he went to work for the shipyard. When he got his call, the shipyard had him deferred. After the war he opened a photographic studio in Panama City and worked there until his death. He and Everetta are buried there. Everetta was a writer and published three books: *The Indignation; According to the Pattern; and Kith 'N' Kin* a book of the family tree. She also wrote over 900 poems which we hope to someday get published. They had 3 children.

Madeline married Henry Anderson (brother of Everetta) and they lived in West Frankfort, later moving to Florida. He had several jobs but finally went to work as a prison guard in Starke, Florida. He retired and they moved to Lynn Haven, where Madeline still lives today. They had 2 children.

Alice Mae married Charles Thomas Anderson (a brother to Everetta and Henry). They divorced and she lived with her parents until her death.

Gertrude Elloise married Jake Wyant and they live in Benton, Illinois. They have 3 children.

James Marvin died as a small child.

Juanita Delores married Phillip Harp. They lived in Benton, later moving to East Alton, Illinois where she lives today near her 5 children.

Ronald Eugene married Ina Mae Overturf and they lived in Arizona with their 5 children.

Johanna Lena Carolina (Hannah) married Calvin Corbett Wilmoth. They lived and died in Grand Chain, Illinois. They had 2 children.

Ellen Nora Margaret died as a small child.

Mary Rosa married Alva Wilmoth and had one son. (Alva was a brother to Calvin).

Willie Frederick married Mabel Songer and had one son.

Elizabeth born about 1853 in St. Clair County, Illinois married Jacob Diehl.

Charles was born about 1854 in St. Clair County, Illinois. He married Eva Marie LePere. They died in Pinckneyville, Illinois. They had 4 children.

Maria Elizabeth (no information on her)

Adam who married Ollie Herman. Their grandson, Kirwan Heisner is a miner and also the Mayor of Pinckneyville, Illinois.

John Carl married Pearl Bischof.

Charles, Jr. married Minnie Loos and they had 3 children.

William married Erla Bigham and they live in Pinckneyville.

## HEISNER-BIGHAM

William Adam Heisner (9 November 1916) is the son of Charles Jr. and Minnie Loos Heisner. He married Erla Bigham (11 July 1917) on 5 July 1947. She is the daughter of Shelva and Allie Cotton Bigham. They have no children.

William worked for the Missouri Pacific Railroad for 15 years and then for the City of Pinckneyville with the gas and water department until his retirement in 1983. Erla worked 30 years for the Garment Industry in Pinckneyville and Sparta.

## HEISNER-BISCHOF

John Carl Charles Heisner (3 October 1882-24 March 1949) married Pearl Katherine Bischof in Perry County on 11 September 1918.

## HEISNER-CUNNINGHAM

William Charles Heisner was born 3 November 1918, six miles northeast of Pinckneyville, at the home of his grandparents, Charley and Sophia Feltmeyer, the oldest child of Leonard H. and Mary Katherine (Feltmeyer) Heisner. At the time of William's birth, his father was fighting in France in World War I. Elizabeth Rosa Cunningham was born 19 March 1920, seven miles southwest of Pinckneyville, the oldest child of Harry Preston and Martha Jane (Smith) Cunningham. William and Elizabeth were married 28 February 1948. This is a continuation of their family history as found in Volume I of the Perry County History. The Heisners have been blessed with five children, twelve grandchildren, and one great-grandchild, as follows:



L to R: Harry, William, Elizabeth R., Elizabeth Ann, Kathryn Jane, William C. Jr., and George Heisner.

Kathryn Jane Heisner, born 10 March 1949, married Richard F. Astrack and is a registered nurse at Deaconess Hospital in St. Louis, where they live. They have four children: Kathryn Diane in college, Susan Michelle in high school, Michael Alexander and Steven Richard in grade school.

Elizabeth Ann Heisner, born 8 August 1950, married Robert B. Evans and is an elementary teacher in Brownsville, Tennessee. They have two children: Matthew Joshua, an attorney in Knoxville, Tennessee, married Amy Dexter. Matthew and Amy have one son, Zebadiah William, age three months. Rachel Elizabeth married Lars Jorgensen, works as a secretary, and is completing a masters degree which will qualify her for teaching. They live in San Diego, California.

William Charles Heisner, Jr., born 30 September 1952, married Susan B. Siemens Krauss. William owns a consulting business in Casper, Wyoming. They have two children: Jonathan Peter Krauss and Barbara Anne Heisner, both in grade school.

George Thomas Heisner, born 3 April 1955, married Rhonda S. Gaetz. He is a former coal miner in transition to a new career as a registered nurse due to the closing of the coal mine. They have two children: Lisa Marie in high school and William Ronald in grade school in Pinckneyville.

Harry Michael Heisner, born 28 February 1958, married Mary Jane Heathscott. Harry is a retired United States Navy submarine navigation officer. They have two children: Kendra Michelle and Callie Rebecca, both in grade school in Slidell, Louisiana.

William and Elizabeth are enjoying their retirement. They like to travel and participate in church and community activities. William has served on the Perry County Tuberculosis Board since 1975. Most of all they enjoy being with their children and grandchildren. Submitted by William C. and Elizabeth Heisner



## HEISNER-CUNNINGHAM-RAINES

Kirwan Heisner married Carol Cunningham of Pinckneyville, Perry County. Kirwan and Carol had two children, Michelle and Kyle. Michelle married Jim Smith of Pinckneyville. They had one daughter, Megan. Michelle later married Mark Atkins of Benton. They have three children, Jonathan, Zachary, and Holly. Kyle married Michelle Guzzardo of Lincoln, Illinois. They have two children, Jonathan and Alison.



*Kirwan and Lois Heisner.*

Kirwan later married Lois Schafer Raines in Las Vegas, Nevada on 25 July 1988. Lois was born in Du Quoin (21 May 1951). She is the daughter of Homer and Helen (nee Hagene) Schafer of Pinckneyville. Lois has two children, David Raines and Jeana Raines.

Kirwan in his earlier years was a salesman for Rexall Pharmaceuticals. In 1973 he then went to work for Consol Coal Company near Cutler, Illinois at the Burning Star #4 mine as a dragline operator. As a citizen of Pinckneyville, he was a volunteer fireman and emergency medical technician. In 1983 he was elected to the Pinckneyville City Council as Street Commissioner and on 1 May 1995 was sworn in as Mayor.

## HEISNER-HERMAN

Adam William Heisner (9 November 1879-26 September 1969) was born in Perry County and married Ollie Geniviere Herman (28 September 1885-1 April 1955) of Oraville, Illinois, Jackson County, in Murphysboro, Illinois on 8 March 1906. She was the daughter of John and Annie Herman (nee Schaeffer).



*Adam and Ollie Heisner.*

Adam and Ollie had 2 children: Herma and Karl John. Herma married Rolla Shivley. They have one daughter, Margaret Ann. Herma resides in Bristol, Virginia. Mr. Shivley is deceased. Adam Heisner later married Matilda Kellerman on 8 August 1957.

Adam Heisner was a railroad track foreman for Illinois Central Railroad and Fidelity Mines.

He is buried along with his first wife Ollie at Mueller Hill Cemetery.

## HEISNER-KIRWAN



*Karl Heisner Store in Percy.*

Karl John Heisner (2 January 1914-28 September 1996) was born in Freeburg, Illinois, St. Clair County. He married Kathleen Margaret Kirwan (14 November 1915-13 February 1992). They eloped and married 22 September 1932 in Metropolis, Illinois. Margaret Kirwan was born in Percy. She was the daughter of George and Katy Momberger Kirwan. —Refer to "Kirwan" Perry County History Book Volume I, page 193



*Karl and Margaret (Kirwan) Heisner.*

Karl and Margaret had one child, Karl Kirwan Heisner (6 May 1938). K. Kirwan Heisner in his earlier years was a store owner in Percy and a coal miner at Freeman United Coal Company when he retired. Karl and Margaret are buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery along side of Karl's mother and father.

## HEISNER-LEPERE



*L to R Back Row: Adam, Charlie, and John L to R Front Row: Charles and Mary (LePere) Heisner.*

Charles Heisner Sr., (26 May 1854-7 February 1940), a farmer born in Floraville, Illinois, St. Clair County, married Eva Marie LePere (11 April

1858-12 February 1923) of Belleville. They were married in Perry County on 23 April 1877. Charles Heisner Sr. was one of four children. Eva Marie also known as Mary LePere was the daughter of George and Marie LePere (nee Birkner).

Charles and Mary had three sons: Adam, Charles Jr., and John Carl.

Charles Heisner Sr. was a farmer in the Pinckneyville area. He is buried along with his wife Mary at Galum Cemetery.

## HEISNER-LOOS

Charles Heisner, Jr. (2 May 1885), born in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, married Minnie Loos (15 July 1893) on 25 December 1915. From Pinckneyville, she was the daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Loos (nee Daniel).

Charles and Minnie had three children: William, Marie, and Lottie Mae.

William (9 November 1916) married Erla Bigham.

Marie (2 April 1918) married Eddie Wildermuth.

Lottie Mae (29 August 1922) married Joe Sroka.

## HENKE, HENRY

When Henry Henke arrived in Du Quoin before March 1870, he faced two major challenges. Having been the second largest manufacturer of cigars in Belleville, he came with many Germans from that area, encouraged by the building of the Belleville and Southern Illinois Railroad, to launch that business here. But a year or so earlier, he had brought from Germany (Crollager Arohde, Nordrhein, Westphalia, where he was born in 1833) the five orphaned children of his brother. One story is that he had to meet them outside Germany as he would still be subject to military service. He had settled in Belleville at age 15, apparently alone. The Henke children were Louise (1850-1881) (spouse Henry F. Knebelkamp), Henry (1852-1885), Mary (1854-1881) (spouse Thomas Hayes) (see Volume 1, page 142), William (1856-1909), and Catherine (1858-1906) (spouse Charles Yehling). They joined Henry's (spouse Henrietta Siegele) daughter Matilda Henrietta (spouse Robert Klug).

Henry's cigar factory and store were open by March 1870, and he soon expanded to include boots. Then he moved four doors west to a large store on the northwest corner of Main and Oak where he added dry goods and groceries with his nephew William as junior partner. At one point Henry sold his cigar business to Henry F. Knebelkamp, who married his niece Louise. Knebelkamp later sold the store to Henry Henke, the nephew who had migrated to Kentucky. The elder Henke previously divorced his first wife and married Knebelkamp's sister, the widow of Charles Voss, an employee of Henke's. They had two sons, Henry and Adolph, who became a druggist in Danville. During these years Henke acquired property and built buildings, including with Thomas Hayes (husband of his niece Mary) the first building of the Du Quoin Bottling Works. After Thomas' death in a mining accident, Mary carried the business which their son, William R. Hayes (see Volume 1, page 142), developed into a large industry and enterprises well known in Perry County. Henke donated land for the new German Evangelical Church which he and some other German businessmen established (see Volume 1,



page 402). His health was declining with a stomach ailment and he sold his business. Nephew William became a partner with W. F. Tecklenburg, formed the firm Tecklenburg and Henke, and operated two large grocery stores, one on each side of the railroad. Henry Henke, together with Lewedag and Sheain, bought the saloon of Joe Pyle. Henke's last venture was a saloon and billiard hall.

His death on 17 September 1877 was acknowledged by a long front-page obituary in the Du Quoin TRIBUNE, the fullest in many a year. It read, "His residence in our city was fraught with success in a business point of view, and being a man of means and enterprise, he had invested in real estate to considerable extent, and caused the erection of several...dwellings." And, "by his uprightness, kind treatment and fair dealing with all, had won the esteem and respect of a wide circle of friends." *Submitted by Donald R. Yehling*

## HENRICI-HAMMEL

Carolina T. Hammel, born 6 July 1871 at Du Quoin, the seventh child of John and Mary (Schwarz) Hammel, was married 8 May 1889 to Jacob Philipp Henrici, born 31 January 1858. Jacob and Caroline had six children: John Nickolas, Elizabeth Barbara, Emma Theresia, Sophia Blendena, Clara, and Infant. Jacob died 9 June 1910 at Houston, Illinois and is buried in Lessley Cemetery, Houston. (see Hammel-Schwarz)

John N. Henrici, born 21 March 1890 near Sparta, Illinois, was married 5 November 1924 at Springfield, Illinois to Emma Hermes, born 7 August 1895 at Ellis Grove, Illinois, a daughter of Phillip and Ella (Schoepel) Hermes. John and Emma had one son, John W. John N. died 4 January 1972 and Emma died 9 December 1970, both at St. Louis and are buried in Jefferson Barracks National Cemetery.

Elizabeth B., born 11 July 1891 at Baldwin, Illinois, was married 30 November 1911 at Evansville, Illinois to Henry Hinnerichs, born 5 January 1890 at Baldwin, a son of Heinrich and Ida Kath. (Troester) Hinnerichs. They had three children: Elmer Friedrich, Harold Johann, and Opal Caroline. Henry died 29 October 1977 and Elizabeth died 10 July 1979 at Red Bud, Illinois. Both are buried at Red Bud where they had made their home.

Emma T., born 16 March 1894 at Baldwin, was married 20 February 1912 at Baldwin to George N. Laufer, born 7 February 1888 at Baldwin, a son of Jacob George and Katharina M. (Roark) Laufer. They had ten children: Viola Katharina Lydia, Russel Jacob Heinrich, Harley John Daniel, Earl Nicholas Philip, Flora Elizabeth Frieda, Ruby Caroline May, George Otis, Melba Jean Theresia, Hazel Ida, and Edith Hulda Charlotte. George died 27 August 1967 and Emma died 17 May 1982, both at Sparta. Both are buried in the Lutheran Cemetery at Baldwin.

Sophia B., born 21 November 1901 near Baldwin, was married 16 March 1924 at Vinton, Iowa to William May Lambert. They had one son, Jacob Wilmer, before they were divorced. Sophia remarried in December 1938 at St. Louis, Missouri to Walter and Daniel Albert Reinhardt, born 10 January 1903 at Preston, a son of Albert and Sophia H. (Hammel) Reinhardt. They had one daughter, Carol Ann, born 18 June 1942. Walter died 24 November 1962 and is buried in the Lessley Cemetery.

Clara, born 11 September 1906 at Houston, was married 24 December 1928 at Pinckneyville, Illinois to Alvin Daniel Ludwig Reinhardt, born 11 November 1903 near Baldwin, a son of George and Magdalena (Meyerott) Reinhardt. They had one son who died in infancy 2 February 1936. Alvin died 1 June 1979 and Clara died 17 December 1988. Both are buried at Caledonia Cemetery, Sparta.

Infant Henrici born 3 May 1909 is buried in Lessley Cemetery, Houston.

Carolina (Hammel) Henrici was remarried 10 July 1912 at Chester to Albert Reinhardt, born 7 June 1860 at Hecker, Illinois, a son of George and Catharine (Russ) Reinhardt. Albert was previously married to Sophia Henrietta Hammel. Albert died 7 April 1951 and Carolina died 2 January 1957, both at Walsh. Albert is buried in Union Cemetery, Sparta and Carolina in Lessley Cemetery. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HENSLEY-CRANE

Pernie Permelia (Crane) Hensley was born 28 July 1923 in Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois, the second child of Arbie Archibald Crane (16 June 1896, Tamaroa-15 November 1966, Pinckneyville) and Sophia Elizabeth (Fisher) (8 June 1896, Tamaroa-29 November 1978, Pinckneyville). Pernie has one sister Almeda Elnora Reames born 17 November 1925 and brother, Edward Lot Crane, born and died 21 March 1922.

Pernie's maternal grandparents were Mary Almeda (Chapman) and Lewis Charles Edward Fisher of Tamaroa. Pernie's paternal grandparents were John L. Crane and Julie Crane.

Pernie attended grades 1-11 at Tamaroa and went to Pinckneyville her senior year. She took piano lessons for free. Her Mother did housework for a piano tuner to buy a piano so Pernie could practice. In High School she played piano solos in the Music Contests. She alternated between attending Southern Illinois Normal University, Carbondale, Illinois and working at Perry County Courthouse. There the County Superintendent asked her to teach since teachers were scarce during war. In the fall she began teaching all eight grades at Benton Road School District 49, Tamaroa. She continued college during summers and returned to teach. Military recruitment officers asked women to become nurses and Pernie passed the test and entered WAC, Fort Des Moines, Iowa for basic training, sent to Nurses Training and graduated February 1945. She stayed in the states because she was homesick. She began at Nichols General Hospital at Louisville, Kentucky as Technical Corporal, where she met her future husband, J. H. Hensley. He came to the hospital ward as a physical therapist. He entered the war and received Combat Infantryman Badge Sharpshooters M I Rifle, Purple Heart, European African, Middle Eastern Campaign Ribbon with Bronze Campaign Star. He was given Honorable Discharge 10 September 1945.

They were married 11 August 1945 Chapel Anderson, Chaplin. After J.'s medical discharge, Pernie was discharged 30 September 1945 with Good Conduct Medal. They lived with his parents, Richard D. and Amanda (Hodge) Hensley in the Appalachian region. Richard D. (19 April 1890-15 April 1980) Amanda (May 1890-May 1955). J. had one brother Samuel born 1918 and killed in World War II, two sisters Daisy (Brown) Wagner (14 May 1920) and Dixie Sizemore (6 November 1922).

Pernie and J. H. lived in Kentucky and had 1) John Christian born 27 April 1946, 2) Richard Samuel born 18 April 1947, 3) Charles Luke born 21 December 1948, 4) Alvin Hugh born 25 August 1950, and 5) Larry Gene born 25 October 1952. Pernie was Postmaster at Elys, from 1949-September 1953. She resigned to move to Illinois for her sons' schooling.

When they moved to Illinois, they lived with Pernie's mother. John began first grade in Tamaroa Grade School. Pernie worked at Marshall Browning Hospital and J. H. installed electrical appliances with Barney West.

Pernie began working at Pinckneyville Community Hospital with J. H. as a custodian. They moved to Pinckneyville and their sons enrolled in grade school.

They bought a home east of Pinckneyville. On 24 May 1959, Charles slipped from a limb while making a swing, died, and buried in Holt's Prairie Baptist Cemetery. She returned to SIU and graduated with a B. S. Degree in Education. She taught from 1960-1989. She continues substitute teaching, tutoring, and giving private piano lessons.

Pernie was Camp Nurse at Lake Sallateeska for GA and Acteens for eighteen years.

Pernie's husband was promoted to physical therapist. After taking a test in Springfield, he received his license. J. H. died of acute myocardial infarction 24 November 1982 and buried at Holt's Prairie Baptist Cemetery.

Pernie loves her ten grandchildren: Staci Lynn, Shawnda, Jason, Timothy, Elizabeth, Richard "Sam" II, Rachel, Amanda, Angela, and Charles, family, working and teaching children, her church, and helping people.

## HENSON

In 1808 Allen Henson, son of Jesse and Allen's son George Washington Green Henson came to Kentucky from North Carolina. Eventually they came to Southern Illinois. George settled near the mouth of the Big Muddy River south of Grand Tower. Allen came north a few miles and settled beside a trail that led along a big hill on the eastern side.

In North Carolina, Allen had fought Indians and was scalped but survived. He remained a kind man but the scalping possibly caused some kind of mental derangement as after that he went around singing funny songs.

In 1830, Allen with the help of a man named Boone, built a house of double logs on the west side of what is now route three in Southern Illinois, about four miles north of Grand Tower in Jackson County.

It must have been a very well constructed house as it stood for 150 years and since pre-Civil War days has been called the "Henson House." Some time in the 1970s it was burned by vandals.

In 1810, Philip, another son of Jesse, married Mathilda McKenny in Caldwell, Kentucky. They lived there until 1827 when he gave up his position as Justice of the Peace and moved to Southeast Missouri. They only lived there a short time when they moved to Southern Illinois.

There is an interesting story about the Hensons and an Indian squaw. While rabbit hunting they would see something flitting between the trees but could never see it well enough to know what it was. One day Philip was determined to know and he finally discovered an Indian woman hiding in a cave. She had been cast out of her



tribe and sentenced to death, but managed to escape. She had lived in the woods alone for three years. She was half starved and half frozen but Philip managed to get her to his home, and she lived as one of the family from 1835 until her death in 1866. She is buried in the family cemetery.

Philip is a very popular name in the Henson family. One of them had the initial "R" in his name and was dubbed "Red" Phil because of his red hair. There was another one called "Black Phil" because he had dark hair.

Red Phil married Naomi Luthy in 1898 in Denmark, Perry County, Illinois. They produced six children but only three grew to adulthood. They were Ruth, Edith, and Philip Roy.

Red Phil worked in a coal mine called the "White Walnut" near Pinckneyville. He was killed in an underground accident in 1909.

His wife and children moved to Willisville and some of their descendants still live there. His only son Philip Roy never saw his father as he was born after Red Phil was killed.

One of Philip Roy's sons, Gary, is now doing a genealogy of the Henson family which will undoubtedly turn up more interesting stories. *Submitted by Iris Henson*

## HERBST-BOLING

Daniel Arthur Herbst was born 3 September 1956 in Menominee, Menominee County, Michigan. He was the fourth child of Ferdinand and Arthur Herbst born 25 August 1922 in Ypsilanti, Michigan, died 26 April 1994 in Macomb, Illinois and Catherine Rose (Barnabei) Herbst born 1 May 1923 in Detroit, Michigan. Dan has one sister Lea Ellen Sage born 24 February 1949, and two brothers John Herbst born 2 January 1951 and Robert Herbst born 18 March 1954.



L to R: Deb, Gabriel, and Dan Herbst.

Dan and his family moved to Norwich, Connecticut in October 1961; from there to Macomb, Illinois in July 1967, the moves prompted by his father's career with King-Seely Thermos. Dan graduated from Macomb Senior High School in 1974. Choral music, baseball, and yearbook staff were favorite activities, along with church youth group.

Dan continued his education at Western Illinois University, earning his B.A. in English Education in 1977. Following graduation, he was hired at Pinckneyville Community High School, moving to Pinckneyville to begin in August 1977. Throughout his continuing career, he has taught English and added yearbook advisor responsibilities in 1979. He earned his M.S. in Secondary Education-Curriculum in 1982 from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale. He has served on camp staff for Illinois Baptists and as Illinois State Editor for The Gideons International.

Debra Jean Boling was born 8 December 1957 in Greenville, Greenville County, South Carolina. She was the second child of Charles Walker Boling born 16 August 1931 in Greenville, South Carolina and Betty Jean (Harbin) Boling born 30 August 1932 in Liberty, South Carolina. Deb has two sisters Anne Bishop born 8 July 1956 and Charla Vancil born 26 February 1968.

Deb and her family moved from Easley, South Carolina to Pinckneyville in November 1968, the move prompted by her father's calling to serve as pastor of First Baptist Church. Deb graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1976. Marching band and choral music accompanist were some favorite activities. She was involved in her church's youth activities, including serving as church pianist.

Deb continued her education at North Greenville College in Tigerville, South Carolina, earning her A.A. in 1978, and completing her B.A. in Elementary Education in 1980 at Union University in Jackson, Tennessee. She continued her involvement in choral music and in mission groups on revival teams and summer missions, and worked as a camp counselor for Tennessee Baptist camps. Following college graduation, Deb was hired at Trico Elementary School, Campbell Hill, moved back to Pinckneyville, and has continued to teach second grade since 1980.

Dan and Deb started dating in 1982 and were married on 1 July 1989 at First Baptist Church, Pinckneyville. They have one son, Gabriel David Herbst born 26 November 1993 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He enjoys various activities: "reading" books, building with blocks, taking bike rides, playing on his swing set and with cars, balls, trucks, and tools, putting together puzzles, watching tapes, and the singing and learning in his church's Sunday School and Discipleship preschool programs. The Herbst family continues to be active at First Baptist Church, Pinckneyville, through the years assuming various responsibilities on committees and in Sunday School, missions organizations and music, striving to serve the Lord.

## HICKS-DOOLIN

Ida Mae Doolin is the youngest child of Daniel D. Doolin and Emiline Adams. Daniel was born in Shawneetown, Saline County, Illinois about 1826. He had 3 brothers. One brother, William, a farmer, born in Kentucky, lived in Saline County with wife Manerva and their seven children. Emiline was born 25 May 1835 in Williamson County, Illinois, the daughter of William and Jane Adams.

Daniel married Emiline Adams, 25 August 1854 in Williamson County. They lived on a farm there until the Civil War. Daniel drove the bread wagon. Discharged from the war on 12 May 1865 and bought a lot in Thompsonville, Illinois behind the Baptist Church. They had a cow, chickens, fruit trees, big garden, and wild onions, which they sold. He died 9 March 1895. Emiline received a small veteran pension and managed to keep herself and two widow daughters financed when each family had to move in. She rented out one of her two rooms for income. Daughter Ida and her family of four lived with Emiline until her death on 19 May 1919. Emiline went blind later in life. Daniel and Emiline are buried in East Fort Cemetery, Thompsonville, Franklin County, Illinois.

There were seven children born to Daniel and Emiline: T. M. or F. M., 4 July 1854; Mary E., February 1858; W. Albert, 1861; Susan T., April 1861; Laurie, died as a baby; Logan, 1869; Liza "Jane," 26 November 1872; and Ida Mae, 24, 1873.



Ida Mae Doolin Neal Hicks and Commodore Hicks.

Ida Mae was 14 when she married James R. Neal, 21, on 4 August 1887 in Williamson County, and moved to Carmi, Illinois. Their children were: George (18 March 1891-18 April 1925) married Rachel Stanhouse of Du Quoin; Jeanette "Jennie" (15 April 1895-7 March 1950) married McKinley Wall of Walltown; baby Clarence M. (3 July-23 September 1888); baby James R. (1 May 1898).

Widow Ida, 25, remarried a widower Commodore Hicks, 30, son of Harrison and Rachel (Boyle) Hicks, on 18 February 1900 at Greenville, Franklin County, Illinois. Widower Commodore had two teenage children from a former marriage to Sara Williams (deceased), Omer and Sula. Ida had two, George and Jennie.

Ida and Commodore's children were Griffie (15 May 1901-30 July 1990 married Roscoe Hall), Ramos (15 November 1902-15 March 1978) married Sybil Campbell, Eva, (18 June 1904-11 August 1968) married Frank Poiter and Tessie (28 July 1907-living) married Godfrey Schleper. All four children lived in Du Quoin for their married lives.

Commodore moved the family to Parrish, Illinois. He drove a "hack" (horse carriage taxi) for railroad passengers at Thompsonville and Parrish Stations. Commodore died 4 March 1970 and is buried in East Fork Cemetery, Thompsonville. Ida died 26 August 1951 and is buried in IOOF Cemetery, next to her first son George Neal Sr., Du Quoin, Illinois. (see Hicks, Neal, Schleper) *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. H. Bryant Austin)*

## HICKS, EVA

Eva Jane Hicks was the third child of Commodore Hicks of Parrish, Franklin County, and Ida Mae Doolin Neal, Thompsonville. Eva was born 18 June 1904 in Thompsonville, Franklin County, Illinois. Eva married Frank Poiter, Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois on 31 August 1929 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Frank Poiter had six brothers and sisters and the family lived on a farm off Highway 154. Frank went to barber college in St. Louis, Missouri. He opened his barbershop in Du Quoin. He met Eva Hicks, who was a beautician. She worked in his shop which was divided into a barber and beauty shop. Frank also employed Eva's younger sister Tessie who also was a beautician. Eva and Tessie had both been sent to beauty school in St. Louis by their older half-brother George Neal Sr., who



owned his barbershop and beauty supply store and operated the Peerless Seamless Towel Delivery and Barbershop Supply to barbers in Southern Illinois. George wanted to make sure the girls could make a living and support their widowed mother Ida.



L to R: Don, Eva Hicks, Joan, and Frank Poiter.

Eva worked until Joan was born in June 1931. Seven years later Donald Frank was born. Both children graduated from Sacred Heart grade school and Du Quoin High School. Don's class was the last to graduate from the old high school. Joan studied at De Paul Nursing School, St. Louis, in 1949. She worked as a Registered Nurse until she retired in 1995. She married Richard Grady in 1954 and the couple had five children.

Don attended Southern Illinois University Carbondale for Machine Drafting. He graduated in 1957, moved to St. Louis in 1958 and worked for General Motors. He retired in 1988. Don married Donna Lichtenfeld June 1959. They have three children.

Frank worked in his barbershop until he died in August 1967. Eva followed him a year later in August 1968. Both are buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery.

(See Hicks, Neal Schleper Articles) Submitted by Don Poiter and Janet Schleper Austin

## HICKS, GRIFFIE

Griffie Hicks was the oldest child of Commodore Hicks, Parrish, Illinois and Ida Mae Doolin Neal, Thompsonville, Illinois. She was born 15 May 1901 in Thompsonville. Her father Commodore (4 March 1870, Galatia Township, Saline County, Illinois-28 December 1907 in Parrish) drove a horse and buggy taxi for passengers from Parrish and Thompsonville Railroad Stations. At 21 he married his first wife Sara A. Williams (born 18 September 1872), the daughter of David Williams, on 8 March 1891. Sara died at 26 on 15 June 1898, buried in East Fort Cemetery, Franklin County, Illinois. The couple had two children: Sula (1895-9 January 1921) and Omer (25 August 1891-3 September 1974).

Widower Commodore, 30, then married Ida Mae Doolin Neal, 25, a widow with two children, on 18 February 1900 at Greenville, Franklin County, Illinois. Four children were born to this union: Griffie, Ramos, Eva, and Tessie. Commodore died 28 December 1907 at Parrish. Ida and four children moved in with her mother Emiline Adams Doolin. All the children worked. At the age of twelve, Griffie became a pie baker at her cousin Mary's restaurant across the street from Grandma Doolin's small house in Thompsonville. The railroad men would come into the restaurant at noon for good pies.

Griffie married Roscoe "Pood" Hall, who lived in the country around Thompsonville. They were married in 1919. Roscoe found work in the mines in Du Quoin. They had five children: Kenderick (Ella Mae Kniffen); Helen Margaret (baby died), Patty (Maurice Palmer); Shirley (Tony Mesner); and Donna Mae (William O'Connor, divorced and married Richard Hester) all born in Du Quoin.



The Griffie Hicks Family.

Roscoe (14 August 1900-31 March 1964) is buried in Pleasant Hill Cemetery, northeast of Thompsonville. Griffie died 30 July 1990 and is buried at Pleasant Hill.

(see Hicks, Neal, Schleper) Submitted by Donna Hall Hester and Janet Schleper Austin (Howard B. Austin)

## HICKS, RAMOS

Ramos Hicks was the second child of Commodore Hicks and Ida Mae Doolin Neal. He was born 15 November 1902 in Thompsonville, Franklin County, Illinois. He married Sybil Belle Campbell (6 January 1904-25 October 1996) on 14 March 1942 in Jackson, Missouri. Sybil came to the marriage with three children: Russell Campbell, of Percy, Illinois; Dorothy Brons, of Bean Station, Tennessee; and Peggy Moore of Du Quoin. Ramos and Sybil have seven grandchildren, 6 great-grandchildren, and 2 great-great-grandchildren. Ramos and Sybil loved to fish and to cook.



Sybil and Ramos Hicks.

Ramos worked in the mines at Du Quoin since he was 16. He and older half brother George Neal Sr. pooled their money to build their mother Ida Mae Doolin Neal Hicks a house at 19 South Line, Du Quoin. Ramos, sisters Eva and Tessie, and Ida moved from Thompsonville to Du Quoin. Sister Griffie and family were already in Du Quoin. Ramos died 15 March 1978 from emphysema in Du Quoin. Sybil, 92, died on 25 October 1996. Both are buried at Sunset Memorial Park, north of Du Quoin.

(see Neal, Hicks, Schleper Articles) Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. Howard B. Austin)

## HICKS, TESSIE

Tessie Ruth Hicks is the youngest child of Commodore Hicks of Parrish, Illinois and Ida Mae Doolin Neal, Thompsonville, Illinois. Commodore Hicks is the second son of Harrison and Rachel (Boyle) Hicks. Harrison and Rachel had six boys, four lived: Quincy "Hardin" (12 January 1869-23 November 1937) married Malinda Williams and had four children; two lived, Bonnie and Ross.



Tessie, Godfrey Schleper and granddaughter Beth Austin Schmidt.

Commodore (4 March 1870-28 December 1907) first married Sara Williams 8 March 1891 and she died. His second marriage was to widow Ida Neal on 18 February 1900 in Greenville, Franklin County, Illinois. They set up housekeeping in Parrish, Illinois with the two Hicks teenagers, Sula and Omer, and the two Neal teenagers, George and Jennie. Commodore and Ida had four children of their own: Griffie, 1901-1990, Ramos 1902-1978, Eva 1904-1968, and Tessie 1907-living.

Volonore (8 October 1871-26 July 1902) married C. Lara Knox on 20 March 1899. They had two children: Charles, married Minnie Ester Reddick and had a son Reginald; and Effie Pearl, married Troy Ware, then Frank Hall.

William Jordan "Willy" (10 January 1870-1956) married Grace Bailey and had two children: Mable, who married Neal Bryant and had Selma (Mrs. Otto Shelton) and Harry, who married Ona Bacon and had Norma (Mrs. John Bailey); William L. (Nadine Fricol); Hilton Dale (Mildred Briley); and Grace (Burt Vinegoni).

Harrison Hicks, Tessie's grandfather, was born in 1842 in Cathergie, Smith County, Tennessee, son of Ranson Hicks and Nancy Snethern. According to his Civil War Record, Harrison was in Co. F 40<sup>th</sup> Infantry from 27 August 1861-15 August 1864, along with three of his volunteer brothers. He was discharged in Scottsboro, Alabama and this is where he met and married his third wife Rachel "Pus" Boyle on 4 August 1867. Rachel was born in Tiphah County, Mississippi, daughter of Irishman Michael Boyle (Boyl). Harrison and Rachel moved back to Franklin County, then Williamson County line. Harrison's father Ransom moved to Franklin County around 1856.

Tessie only knew her Grandma Rachel Hicks and Grandma Doolin. Tessie's father lived with Grandma Doolin in Thompsonville until she died in 19 May 1919 and is buried in



East Fork Cemetery, Franklin County, next to her husband Daniel D. Doolin (1826 Shawneetown, Saline County, Illinois-9 March 1895 Thompsonville).

Older half brother George Neal Sr. moved his mother, Ida Neal Hicks, Ramos, Eva, and Tessie, age 12 to Du Quoin where George lived. Tessie's sister Griffie married Roscoe Hall and they lived in Du Quoin. George got Ramos, 16, a job in the coal mines. He sent Eva and Tessie to beauty school in St. Louis. Eva also worked doing housework and babysitting. Tessie sold tickets at the Midway Theater on North Division Street in the evening. Mother Ida worked in the laundry. The family managed to build a little savings.

Tessie, 28, married Godfrey J. Schleper, 30, on 8 August 1935 at Sacred Heart. They moved into the family Schleper home at 103 North Walnut, Du Quoin. Godfrey worked at Union Colliery Coal Company at Dowell. Tessie continued to work at Frank Poiter's Beauty Shop, her brother-in-law, until their first child Janet was born on 15 July 1939. Their second child Agnes was born 29 July 1941. Janet married Howard "Bryant" Austin of Maysville, Arkansas and had three children. They live in Decatur, Illinois and Siloam Springs, Arkansas. Agnes married John L. Molloy, Jr. of Westbury, Long Island, New York and had six children. They continue to live in Westbury, New York.

(See Hicks, Neal, Schleper Articles) *Submitted by: Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. Howard B. Austin)*

## HILL-BROWN

Samuel Baldrige Hill was born 22 March 1835 and died 3 December 1917 in Perry County, Illinois and is buried at Oak Grove Cemetery, north of Pinckneyville. Samuel's father was Samuel Hill from South Carolina. He was the son of John and Susannah Hill. Samuel's mother was Hannah (Kennedy) Hill from South Carolina. She was the daughter of David and Hannah Kennedy.

Samuel was a farmer. He married Susannah A. Brown on 11 March 1858. Susannah was born circa 1840, place unknown. Children of Samuel and Susannah are: William M. born 21 May 1859; Samuel J. born 10 October 1861; Nancy E. born 1 November 1863; Evan L. born 24 February 1866; Silas S. born 26 September 1868; James H. born 21 October 1870; Isaac P. born 3 May 1873; Alvah E. born 15 April 1875; Harry M. born 15 November 1877; and Daisy M. born and died the same day on 2 May 1883; this was also the date of mother's death on 2 May 1883. Susannah is buried in an unmarked grave at Cross Cemetery.

Samuel Baldrige married the second time to Mary E. Griffith. They had three children. Leslie Guy, born 24 October 1886; William Barney, born 18 May 1892; and Eric Cecil, born 31 January 1894.

The second marriage was on 15 June 1884.

## HILL-EISENHAUER

L. T. Hill is the middle daughter of Leonard J. and Inez I. (Bost) Eisenhauer. She was born Linda M. Eisenhauer on 15 May 1947 in Vergennes, Illinois. The family, with two other daughters, Vicki and Gayle, moved to Du Quoin in 1958 where L. T. attended Sacred Heart Catholic School and went on to graduate from Du Quoin High School in 1965. That same year she moved to St. Louis, Missouri and began her office career.

Here she met and married David Thacker. Their son, Rand D. Thacker, was born on 13 April 1969, while they were living in Arlington, Texas. Rand now lives in Rockford, Illinois. L. T. and Rand moved to San Diego, California in 1970. While here, her career in the field of insurance blossomed. She attended Lincoln Land Community College in Springfield, Illinois and Laney College near Alameda, California.



Ralph and L. T. Hill.

In 1991, she married her present husband, Ralph H. Hill. He was born in Waltham, Massachusetts in 1961. Ralph was the oldest of nine children of Ray N. Hill and Lona J. Patton. When L. T. met Ralph, he was a member of the United States Navy and this led to moves to several states and their present home in Yokohama, Japan. Ralph is stationed aboard the U. S. S. Cushing out of Yokosuka, Japan. His rating is Fire Controlman (FC) and his responsibilities include maintenance and operation of radar and weapons firing systems.

The move to Japan has proved very exciting and enlightening. While in Japan, L. T. has had no opportunities in the insurance field, but has been teaching English to Japanese students, mainly children. Ralph has visited many cities in the Pacific and L. T. has been able to join him in Hong Kong and Thailand, so far. Their dog, Max, a Schipperke, went with them to Japan and has enjoyed it just as much as they have.

L. T. keeps busy with Max, gardening, reading, teaching, and traveling. Ralph is finishing up his degree and is very much into computers. Ralph will retire from the military in March 2000 when they will return to the United States. After that, they pray that God will continue to guide them in their lives.

## HILL-MARTIN

Asa Albert Hill, Jr. (21 February 1856, Pinckneyville, Illinois-15 November 1923, Mt. Vernon, Texas) son of Asa Albert Hill, Sr. and Phebe Taylor (Smith) Hill wed on 15 August 1875, Du Quoin, Illinois to Sarah Elizabeth Martin (28 January 1859, Tamaroa, Illinois, 6 June 1936, Mt. Vernon, Texas) daughter of John and Sarah Jane Davis Martin. Their children were:

- Edgar
- Harry (1878-1882)
- Nellie Jane (2 September 1879-20 August 1963) wed James H. Hatchell. Their children are: June Elwin Hatchell wed Delphia McAfee, children: Colesta Land, Darlene, June Elvin "Tiny."

Flo Hatchell, died when 2 years old.

Carol Troy wed Treva Young, children are: Merna Carol wed Ed Allen Harwell, children are: Elaine wed Tom Brown, children are: Samuel, David, April; Tommy; Leslie Harwell.

Magalyn wed Mitchell McClure, children are: Glenda wed Don Nolan Winkle, children: Ted Mitchell, Kyle, Carrie Nell. Rena Nell wed Gary Phillip Taylor.

Eldon wed Helen Nelma Burns, children are: Gwendolyn wed W. John Kidd, Eldon F., Jr. wed Shirley, James Michael, Stephen Carl wed Ginger Glover, child: Boyd.

Ida Glenn wed S. J. Armstrong (both deceased in 1997)

- Walter (1882-1941) wed Celinda Allen Dempsey, children are:

DeWitt Hill wed Myrtie, child: Jo Laynne wed Carl David Boies, children: Carl David, Jr. and Blair.

Nita wed Olan Waller, children may be Genieva, Aaron, and Marjorie.

Rex A. wed Margaret Nellita Black, child: Gary Rex wed Patsy, child a daughter.

Valton (deceased) wed Grace Jones, child: Kenneth Wayne.

Ruth wed Daryl B. Duke, Sr., children: Maureen and Daryl B., Jr.

Dorothy wed H. E. Foster, child: Steve wed Carol, Michael wed Karen.

Glodean wed I. W. Eaves, children: Barry wed Shealiah, children "Tony" Anthony and Shea Lynn. Jerry. Marvie.

- Guy "R" (12 April 1885-March 1950).

- Gertrude Alice (12 May 1887-30 August 1974) wed Harry Lucious Miller, Jr., children: Leon Eldon and Mary Elizabeth wed Ellis Smith.

- Cecil Asa Scott wed Laura Estella Jones, children:



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Guiles Albert, Sr. wed Margaret A. "Betty" Breck, children: Giles Albert III "Buck," children: Dylan and Brennan. Becky Lynn wed Ron Neal, children: Jake and Katie. Joyce Hill Poteet wed Robert Poteet, children: Tammy, Debbie, Bobby Joe.

Virginia Helen wed Ernest Wilbur Jennings, children: Richard Miles wed (1) Harriet Elizabeth Hutchisson, children: Richard Scott, Robert Ernest, Elizabeth Virginia wed Albert Webber. Wed (2) Roni Clayman.

Dormalee M. wed Otho Elmer Barbour, children: Patricia Gail wed (1) W. Eddy Dawson and (2) John Clark, children: Donna Clark Dawson wed David Kinsey, child: Vanessa Kinsey; Tonya died in infancy; Spencer Barbour; Michelle Lee. Pamela Jean wed William Bruce Oakes (divorced), children: Kimberly Ann and Elizabeth Lee wed Larry Wayne Booker, child: Jody Wayne.

- Edith Irene (23 June 1894-1968) wed Penn Earl Majors, Sr., children:

Paul Edward wed Rachel McMullan, children: Paul Edward wed Ann, children: Bart,



Kelley, Mary Rachel. Don Ray wed Betty Till, children: Donna, Kyle, Michael. Melinda wed (1) Robert Clark, child: Micah Clark; (2) Butch King.

Pauline Edith wed Leon Sidney Smith, children: Cynthia, died in infancy; Steven (1956); Gerald Leon wed Carolyn Teresa Smith, children; Carolyn Teresa, Sidney Taylor, Collin Payne.

Penn Earl, Jr. wed Phyllis Beecham, children: Marilyn wed (1) Monroe, child: Austin Monroe and wed (2) Mitchel Bob Blount. Penn Earl III wed Mary Beidenhorn, children: Penn Earl IV and Justin. Valerie Sue.

Guy David wed Pat Bullington, children: David wed Zana Darnell, Diane wed Mike Jones, Daryl.

Jackie Charles wed Ann Rowe, children: Sheryl Ann and Karen Elizabeth.

- Edna Pauline (3 November 1897-1982) wed Felix A. D. Lamb.

- Paul Dewey (2 September 1899-4 September 1967) wed Lois Moore, children:

Melba Glyn wed Enoch Ray Cook, children: Mary Alice Cook; Michael Ray wed Mary Lee Sanford, children: Michael Jason and Amanda Kelly; Marla Sue wed (1) Mark Lockard Collins and (2) wed Patrick William Kilcullen, children: Mark William and Melissa Gail. Sarah Gail wed Bobby Earl Bethune.

- Merle Lorenze (1902-1968) wed (1) Edna Lora Hayes, children:

Bobbie Nell wed Merritt William, children: Linda Annette wed Terry McKinney, children: Lana Beth, Wayne Merrill, Wendy Nell. Alton Glen wed Vicky Moreland, children: Lee, Scott, and Donna Loree. Nita Lynn wed James Blair, children: Parker Jason and Lacey Michelle. Martha Jean wed Dewey Malone, children: Dewey Malone, Jr. wed Jennifer Jones, child: Heather Renea. Mary Angelia wed Wally Alsobrook, children: Luke Hoffman and Jared Malone. Melinda wed Marc Kaufman, children: Leah, Jordan, Lauren. Amy Merle wed Rich Nelson.

Billy Howell wed (1) Betty Doss, children: Teresa Maxine wed (a) Jeff Hightower, child: Curt; wed (b) Marvy Haskamp, child: Eric M. Marlon Alan wed (a) Delane Bass and (b) Loretta Young, children: Lindsey Lynette, Whitney Lynn, Kenneth Alan. Dale Brendon wed (a) Ery Maples, children: Justin Dale and Leslie Rachelle. Lora Jeanene wed (a) Mike Lane, children: Danice Glen and Jared Michael "Bo" wed (b) Martha Jane Edwards. Lydia Delores Hill. Lee Michael. Maxine Hill, deceased at age 3. Merle wed (2) Kyle Hightower, no children. *Submitted by Melba Hill Cook*

## HILL-NICKENS

James W. Hill married Aley P. Nickens 25 July 1851 in Maury County, Tennessee, daughter of Lemuel Nickens and Sarah Rail.

Child of James Hill and Aley Nickens is, we believe, Sarah Elizabeth Hill, born April 1854 in Tennessee per the 1900 Census of Illinois; Sarah died about 1928 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, IOOF. Sarah married Andrew Jackson 21 February 1875 in Perry County, Illinois per the Perry County, Illinois Marriage Records 1868-1896.

In a letter from Alda "Crowe" Fred dated 30 March 1997, to Paul Kevin Commean states the following: When I, Alda, was a little girl, your grandmother (Lillian Faye "Dasher" Fred) used

to visit my great-grandmother (Minerva "Nickens" Weisel). Lillian Faye called Minerva, Aunt "Nerv." When I asked questions years later I was told the following story. Grandpa Roderick Sanders "Sandy" Nickens was from Nashville, Tennessee. Roderick was a northern sympathizer. Now we know he was more than just a sympathizer since he fought for the Union. But he came to Illinois due to the hostile feelings in Tennessee. They brought along a little girl with them, whose parents had been killed during the war. That little girl, when grown, had become Della "Jackson" Dasher's mother, Sarah Elizabeth "Hill" Jackson. Evidently Sarah's parents were Aley (Nickens) and James Hill. I wonder if there would be a death certificate to verify their deaths and year in Maury County.

Jan "Nickens" Valdez wrote the following to Paul Kevin Commean in an electronic mail message: Manerva Nickens is probably the Manerve J. Nickens (born 1868) listed in the 1880 Perry County, Illinois, Census (Volume 46, Edition 72, Sheet 10). She is listed as the granddaughter of Lemuel and Sarah Nickens (misspelled Nekens). I, Jan (Nickens) Valdez, was assuming that she was the daughter of their son Reddick who was in the same household. Here is how they are listed: Lemuel 77 Tennessee, Sarah wife 77 Tennessee, Reddick son 45 Tennessee, Susan F. daughter 38 (this is Reddick's wife) Tennessee, Lemuel H. grandson 17 Illinois, Luisa J. granddaughter 15 Tennessee, Manerve J. granddaughter 12 Tennessee, Thomas R. grandson 10 Tennessee, William Samuel grandson 7 Illinois, and David grandson 3 Illinois.

This is what I, Jan (Nickens) Valdez, know about this family: Despite what the 1880 Census says, all other census records indicate Lemuel was born in North Carolina and his wife was born in Tennessee.

Lemuel married Sally Rail, 15 February 1826 in Maury County, Tennessee. Lemuel was listed in Wilson County tax list from 1825 through 1829. He was living in Maury County for the 1830 census, in proximity to his wife's family. At the time of the 1840 census they were in Marshall County, and then were enumerated in Maury County for the 1850, 1860, and 1870 censuses. They must have moved to Perry County, Illinois between 1870-1873. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean and Alda (Crowe) Fred*

## HILL-OWEN

Evan L. Hill was born 24 February 1866 in Perry County, Illinois. He died in Perry County, Illinois on 3 April 1944 and is buried north of Pinckneyville in Oak Grove Cemetery. His parents were Samuel Baldridge and Susannah (Brown) Hill.

Evan was a farmer. He met his future wife in Norris City, Illinois and they ran off to get married, date and place unknown. He married Sarah Ann (Owen) Hill. Sarah was born 5 December 1874 in White County, Norris City, Illinois. Her parents were William N. and Rachel Caroline (Brown) Owen. Sarah was a very good seamstress and quiltmaker. She also lived her life daily by the Bible and was an avid Bible scholar and passed this knowledge down to her children and grandchildren.

Sarah and Evan had the following children: Maude who died at about eighteen months old, date and time of birth unknown; Ethel born 14

December 1899 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Jesse (Jess) James, born 8 April 1898 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*Five Generations L to R: Garry Kujawa, Lester D. Kujawa, Sylvester J. Kujawa, Ethel (Hill) Kujawa, Sarah Ann (Owen) Hill.*

Sarah Ann (Owen) Hill died on 24 July 1965 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois at her home at East Grand Avenue. She is buried alongside her husband at Oak Grove Cemetery, north of Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## HILL-TAYLOR

Phebe Taylor (1815, Owensboro, Daviess County, Kentucky-1865, Pinckneyville, Illinois) married a second time after the death of her first husband, William Henry Smith, Sr., to: Asa Albert Hill, Sr., (1810, Georgia-1864, Pinckneyville, Illinois) on 16 January 1851 and also 21 June 1858, Perry County, Illinois. Don't know reason for two ceremonies. Asa came to Illinois and purchased 40 acres, Cert. 17231 in 1857. Nothing more is known about Asa or his family. Asa died first and then Phebe, both deaths occurring within a week of each other. William Henry Smith, Jr. became the guardian of their three children:

Mary Elen Hill (14 February 1852-24 February 1941, born/died in Pinckneyville, Illinois) on 28 October 1866 wed when she was about 15 to Greyall Pursell. They had 16 children, some are: Edward (1875-1930) wed Ora Viola Keene; Perry Pringle (1876-1942) wed Caroline Lena Birkner; Phillip Roy Arkell (1879-1942) wed Pluma Catherine Jones; Harry (1883-1942); William August (1890-1946) wed Ida Margaret Albers; Della (1890-1953); Stella; Asa; Gertrude (1895-1923); Edgar; and George (1880-1935) wed Henrietta Jones.

Asa Albert Hill, Jr. (21 February 1856, Pinckneyville-15 November 1923, Mt. Vernon, Texas) married Sarah Elizabeth Martin (see article on Asa Hill, Jr.)

Benjamin Franklin (1858—) wed Anna Barrow. They moved to Greenville, Missouri and had five daughters and two sons: Viola Montgomery; Ida Mae wed (a) Homer C. Hovis and (b) Algier Holtz, children: Arthur (East Alton, Illinois) and Marvin (Dixon, Illinois); Asa; Nellie Barks, Ora Dorris, and Stella Barks live in Greenville, Missouri. Not sure how Emmett, Pearl, and Ben are related.

(See George Martin, John Martin, William Davis, John C. Keen, Sr., and William H. Smith, Sr., articles.) The book "Purcell Family," Volume 2, page 3, 4, 1974-76 Index page 74 mentions "Mary Hill and Greyall Purcell." *Submitted by Melba Hill Cook*



## HINMAN-BIGHAM

Mary Evelyn Bigham Hinman came home to Perry County in November of 1996 when she bought a house in rural Tamaroa. Mary was born in Perry County on 19 September 1920. Her parents were Gilbert and Zoe (Trefftz) Bigham. She grew up on her father's dairy farm. She graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1938. She moved to St. Louis where she met George Walker Hinman (born 22 January 1920; died 16 June 1994). She married George on 10 October 1942 at her parents' home in rural Pinckneyville. George was a radio operator on a B-17 bomber during World War II flying missions over Germany from England.



*L to R Back Row: Gilbert, Ray, Mark, and Marvin; L to R Middle Row: Martha Jane, Zoellen, and Mildred; L to R Front Row: Mary and George Hinman.*

Mary and George had seven children while living in Perry County where George tenant farmed. Their children born in Perry County are Marvin (28 December 1944); Zoellen (8 August 1946); Martha (9 July 1951); Max (born 27 September 1952; died 30 September 1980); Gilbert (8 May 1954); Mildred (30 May 1955); and Mark (27 December 1956).

In 1957 George and Mary moved to Yorkville, Illinois where George worked for the United States Department of Agriculture as a Soil-Water Conservation technician for Kendall-Grundy Counties. There they had another child, Ray (26 March 1959). After being a stay at home mom for 25 years, Mary began working for the State of Illinois in the Department of Public Aid in Kane County. She retired from her position at the Department of Public Aid on 29 February 1996.

George and Mary's children have married and many now have grandchildren of their own. Marvin married Linda Fowler and had three children. Marvin Ray (28 April 1969); Marcia (7 April 1972); and Mac (14 April 1977). Marcia married Keith Harbison on 23 September 1991 and has three children: Christopher (11 May 1990), Cathrine (27 February 1992), and Samantha (16 February 1995). Marvin married Martha Crue on 30 December 1992.

Zoellen married Thomas Smith on 14 February 1974. They have three daughters: Mary (28 January 1971); Jennifer (4 October 1972); and Brandy (1 August 1978). Mary married Robert Rich on 17 June 1994 and has one son, Michael (13 August 1995). Jennifer has two children, Heather (31 October 1996) and Tyler (7 January 1998).

Martha married David Hauck on 23 July 1972 and has two daughters: Emily (22 January 1982) and Amy (16 June 1983).

Max was married to Christine Younger on 9 September 1972. He had one daughter Allison

born on 29 October 1970. Max was killed in a car accident on 30 September 1980 in Kendall County. Their daughter Allison married Randy Torkleson and had one daughter Rachel (29 February 1992). She married Orval Marshall III on 2 November 1996. They have one son, Lyle, born 3 December 1997.

Gilbert married Kathleen Wells on 14 July 1973. They have two children: Rebecca (22 January 1975) and Nathan (31 December 1976). Gilbert married Linda Rhodes on 30 December 1995.

Mildred married Eugene Gort on 18 August 1984. Eugene died 10 January 1994. They had two sons: Eugene (21 October 1984) and Joshua (4 November 1986).

Mark married Annette Stickling on 28 April 1979. They had four children: Ray (6 May 1981); Janet (31 August 1984); Daniel (12 March 1987); and Dianna (26 June 1988).

Ray married Tracy Zielinski on 17 July 1993. They have two daughters: Megan (20 January 1995) and Abigail (20 February 1997). Tracy is the granddaughter of the late Frieda and Charles Thomas of Pinckneyville and Martha and the late Sylvester Zielinski of Tamaroa.

When George died on 16 June 1994, Mary and George had been married 51 years.

## HIRSCH-LEE

Donald G. Hirsch and Nancy A. Lee were married on 7 September 1963. Their marriage united a descendant of German immigrants, Donald, and Nancy Lee who can trace her ancestry back to the Colonial Lees who were instrumental in the founding of the country.



*L to R Back Row: Shannon and Barry Hirsch; L to R Front Row: Collin, Nancy, Don, and Tim Hirsch.*

Donald is the great-grandson of William and Anna Hirsch, who came to America in 1862. William fathered nine children including Donald's grandfather, Herman John. Herman Hirsch and Mary Woll had eleven children that lived to adulthood, including Don's father Herman "Dutch" Hirsch. Donald and cousin Jerry Hirsch are the only male grandchildren of Herman and Mary to carry on the Hirsch name. Jerry Hirsch is unmarried.

Donald's maternal great-grandparents, Frederick Telkemeyer and Carolina Kutaman also emigrated from Germany in the 1890s. They homesteaded a 120 acre farm north of Sunfield. They parented four children including Don's grandmother, Marie Telkemeyer who married George H. Keiner. This couple had two children, Henry and Don's mother, Mildred. An interesting point is that Nancy's great-great-grandparents Richard and Julia Lee helped Don's great-grandparents Fred and Catherine Telkemeyer master English when they came here from Germany. The

Lees and Telkemeyers lived on neighboring farms in the now Du Quoin Lake area north of Sunfield.

Nancy Lee Hirsch counts among her ancestors, Robert E. Lee of Civil War fame and brothers Richard Henry Lee and Frances Lightfoot Lee, both signers of the Declaration of Independence. A detailed account of the Lee family is found elsewhere in this book.

Nancy's parents are Norman Dean Lee and Emma Huggins. Donald, being the only male grandchild of Herman and Mary Woll Hirsch to marry and carry on the Hirsch name, has four sons. Don and Nancy's children are Timothy, Barry, Shannon, and Collin. The Hirsch's have nine grandchildren. Timothy, an auto salesman at Vogler Ford in Carbondale married Stacy Harrell. They have two sons, Brandon and Nicholas. Barry, a Certified Public Accountant and Controller for General Tire in Mt. Vernon, married Michelle Poiter. They have three children, Emily, Michael, and Samuel. Shannon, a food supervisor at Big Muddy Correctional Facility and self-employed businessman, married Denise Harsy. They have two children, Benjamin and Jessica. Collin, a youth minister at Holt's Prairie Baptist Church and owner of a lawn care business, married Rebecca Hartman. They have two children, Tyler and Alyssa. The four sons and six grandsons of Don and Nancy Hirsch assure that the Hirsch name will be alive and well around for some time in Perry County.

Donald graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1956 and Southern Illinois University in 1960 with a major in English and a minor in Spanish. He taught school for 22 years at Mascoutah High School, Tamaroa Grade School, and Consolidated 208 and 204. In 1984 Donald ran for Perry County Clerk and was elected. He was consequently re-elected in 1986, 1990, and 1994. He continues as County Clerk and Recorder and is a candidate for re-election to that office in 1998.

Nancy is a graduate of Pinckneyville Community High School. Prior to marriage Nancy was employed at Decca Records, now Uni. She remained a mother and homemaker until their youngest child, Collin, entered school. She then went to work as an aide in the Du Quoin Unit 300 Schools. She is currently the secretary to the principal at Wheatley Building in District 300, a position she has held for 20 years.

Donald and Nancy live on a small farm east of the Du Quoin City Lake on Route 154, where they raise strawberries, sweet corn, and other garden produce, as well as some field crops. The Hirsch's are members of Holt's Prairie Baptist Church where both are Sunday School teachers.

## HOLMES-KELLEY

John Holmes was born 17 November 1845 in Ohio. He was the son of David Holmes. John married Lucinda Kelley 2 December 1869 in Madison County, Illinois. She was born in Missouri on 7 September 1848. Her parents were Thomas John Kelley (1808-?) and Frances Corey (1809-?), both born in Tennessee. Thomas and Frances had ten children. James T. (1834-?), Thomas H. (1836-?), Sarah C. (1839-?), Susanna (1841-?), Monroe (1842-?), Joseph and Newton (1843-?) twins, a daughter who married a Hill, Jasper, and Lucinda. All were born in Illinois.

John and Lucinda had nine children. Thomas Elmer (1870-1871), Ollie Frances (1872-



1949) married William Campbell (see Campbell-Holmes biography), John Edwin (1876-1965) married Mamie King Summons, Horatio (1876-1876), Viola Lucinda (1877-1957), Cora Belle (1879-1922) married A. G. (Grant) Keith, Lula Mae (1882-1961) married Edel Bird, Bertie Grace (1887-1994) married Charles Beck, and Herschel Dempsey (1891-1921) married Mary Taylor.

Lucinda and John were divorced 17 December 1910. John went to live with his daughter, Ollie, in Du Quoin. He was a rough old man and scared his great-grandchildren with his antics. He had to use a cane to walk. He would sit on the front porch watching the kids play. If one got too close he would hook them by the ankle. His great-grandson, Loren, remembers having the old man rub his whiskers on his face which he hated. After his death the family was visiting the grave site and Loren was jumping over the grave. Loren's grandmother, Ollie, said "Loren, what if grandpa reached up with his cane and hooked your leg right now?" That scared poor little Loren so bad he gave up grave jumping. Lucinda died 5 November 1921 and is buried at the IOOF cemetery in Pinckneyville. John died 18 October 1932 and is buried at Holt's Prairie cemetery. *Submitted by Steve Jackson*

## TYRPHENA AND JOSEPH HOLT

Ninth generation from the children of Pricilla (Mullens) Alden and John Alden voyagers on the Mayflower:

Estella Emily Holt (youngest daughter of Emily (Tuthill) and John Marshall Holt -8, was born 12 October 1872 in Vergennes, Illinois. Her girlhood days were spent in and around Vergennes. She attended preparatory school in Old Du Quoin and taught one year before her marriage.



*Estella Emily Quigley holding Diana Stahlheber.*

On 22 September 1889 she was united in marriage to Moses James Quigley, born 16 August 1864 in Argus, Indiana, son of John Wesley Quigley of Finley, Ohio and Nancy (Boylan) Quigley of Iowa. Moses was a school teacher in several rural schools in the Vergennes area, and the Village Clerk in 1897.

To this union was born nine children; seven reaching adulthood.

Tenth generation:

Myrtle Leona was born 2 November 1890, died 15 June 1961, and married Rudolph Stahlheber 13 October 1908.

James Moses was born 22 October 1894, died 15 December 1961, and married Ethel M. Halb.

Myra Norene was born 25 August 1897 and died 23 February 1898.

Mary Gertrude was born 12 February 1899, died ?, and married Walter F. Cunningham.

Waldo Emmett was born 6 March 1902, died 3 July 1950, and never married.

Nora Katherine was born 16 January 1906, died ?, and married William G. Kern.

Estella Emily was born 6 May 1908, died 15 December 1968, and married Harley Brown.

Myra Emma was born 11 December 1910 and died in childhood.

Myron Alexander was born 12 October 1913, died 18 October 1960, and married Alice M. Gasnerin.

Estella and Moses passed away from this life within six months of each other. She 12 May 1943 and he 10 November 1943. They were remembered for their acts of kindness and Christian faith. Their daughter Nora had the Mayflower medalion put on their tombstone in Parrish Cemetery, Jackson County, Illinois.

## HORNER

Captain William Franklin Horner was born 16 March 1809 and died 28 September 1886 in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. William married Mary Null in Waynesboro. Mary was born 1810 and died 30 January 1885 and both are buried in Burns Hill Cemetery in that city. They were well known citizens of Waynesboro, Pennsylvania. He was a constable and tax collector for the city. William and Mary had eight children, Samuel was a rancher and a gold miner and lived in Ute Creek, New Mexico, Charles lived in Westminster, Maryland, Amanda married a Starr and lived in Kentucky, James Smith lived in Du Quoin, Illinois, William Franklin was a Captain in the Civil War and remained in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania, Mary Isabell, Cassandra, and John lived in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania.



*James S. Horner.*

James Smith Horner was one of eight children born to William F. and Mary (Null) Horner. He was born 4 May 1833 in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania and died in Du Quoin, Illinois 22 January 1916. In Waynesboro, Pennsylvania 2 February 1859 James married Martha Jane Hollingsworth, daughter of Thomas Howard and Elizabeth (Haeflitch) Hollingsworth. Martha was born 26 May 1833 in Waynesboro, Pennsylvania and died in Du Quoin, Illinois 23 October 1885. The Hollingsworths moved from England to Ireland and was very active in the movement of Society of Friends (Quakers) to the United States sometime in the early 1600s. They were a very rich and prospering family.

James and Martha had four children Armenia died in infancy, William F. born 1861, and twins Scott and Emma born 1882 and died in infancy. All four children were born in Perry County, Illinois. James served in the Civil War and lived most of his life in Tamaroa, Illinois as a carpenter.

Martha died in 1885 and James married Mary Jane Cumberland of Ireland. James and Mary Jane had three children: Martha Jane married Leo Spence, Catherine married George Miller, and Paul was killed by a train in his teens.

William Franklin Horner born 4 September 1861 and died 11 July 1931. In Tamaroa he married Mary D. Knapp 21 July 1884 and they had six children all born in Tamaroa: George F. 1885, James 1887, Flora 1890, Charles 1892, Pearl 1895, and John.

Flora Ann was born 26 December 1890 and died 28 July 1966. In Mt. Vernon, Illinois 19 April 1909, she married Hayden Aquilla Danbury, son of George W. and Lydia (Perry) Danbury. Flora and Hayden had eight children: Maxine 1909, Mary 1910, George 1913, Ruth 1915, Charles 1917, Bernard 1921, Russell 1926, and Richard 1935. *Submitted by Shirley Knight Degenhardt*

## HORNER-AHLERS

Mary Ahlers, born 31 May 1884 the youngest child of Heinrich and Margaretha (Prediger) Ahlers, was married 8 March 1904 to William Marshall Horner born 4 July 1882, a son of (Schenk) Horner. William and Mary had five children: Eurice Eugene, Eunice Irene, Paul George, Nell Willetta, and John Marshall. Mary died 15 February 1944 and William died 4 May 1948 both in Centralia, Illinois, where they are also buried. (see Ahlers-Prediger)

Eurice E., born 5 October 1906, was married 14 September 1930 at Shelbyville, Illinois to Retha Wilson, born 16 September 1912. They had one daughter, Carol, born 18 December 1942, who married Lonnie Jent, born 19 June 1940. Lonnie and Carol had one son, Douglas, born 3 February 1964.

Eunice Irene, born 15 February 1908 at Centralia, Illinois, was married 1 December 1931 at Marion, Illinois to Harry Kasten, born 11 July 1908 in Washington County, Illinois, a son of Edward and Martha (Ellerbush) Kasten. They had one son, Rex Dean, born 6 February 1935 at Summer, Illinois, who was married 16 December 1960 at Mexico City, Mexico to Conception Vazquez, born 12 August 1935 in Mexico City. Rex and Conception had two children: Monique Karla, born 12 September 1961 at Centralia, Illinois, and Ligia Eunice, born 4 December 1962 at Mexico City.

Paul George was born 29 January 1910.

Nell Willetta, born 26 April 1914 at Centralia, Illinois, was married 19 January 1958 at Las Vegas, Nevada to Theodore P. Lindsay, born 3 April 1904 in Oklahoma. Theodore died 9 February 1973 and is buried at Forest Lawn Cemetery, Boston, Massachusetts.

John Marshall, born 18 February 1917 at Centralia, was married 1 March 1953 to Lee Ann Howell, born 8 November 1930, a daughter of Alfred and Grace Howell. John M. and Lee Ann had four children: Nyra Lee born 2 November 1953, Karen J. born 19 November 1954 both in Los Angeles, California, Michelle born 28 March 1963 and John Jr. born 8 March 1965 both at Anaheim, California. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## HOTTES

The following is a listing of the wives, children, and grandchildren of Louis George Hottes, born 28 February 1907 and died 2 July 1991.



Anna Margrate Weil 2 September 1905  
Married 4 August 1930 in Pinckneyville, Illinois

Divorced 10 February 1948 in Jackson County, Illinois.

Children: Leah Margrate, 8 October 1932, married Earl E. Queen, born 15 September 1926, on 7 June 1952.

Children: Debra Jeanne, 10 May 1953, married William E. Graff 17 August 1975.

2 sons: Timothy W. born 19 September 1977

Shawn D. born 28 October 1983 Adopted 1985 Divorced 1990.

Jack Rae, born 8 February 1956, married Kathy Maschino, born 2 February 1960, on 27 January 1978

1 son: Abijah Jack 20 June 1978

Martha Jane born 23 August 1965 married Jeffery Scheifer 22 February 1987 in Reno, Nevada

2 children: Andrew Jordon born 4 June 1990

Shara Ann born 26 May 1992

Harvey Creigh Hottes 25 June 1934 married Nancy C. Stahlheber

Born 25 February 1938, married 28 July 1956 (see Hottes-Stahlheber for family)

Hazel Irine Stocken born 22 November 1924 married 9 December 1948 in Hernando,

Mississippi. Divorced 3 April 1963 in Perry County, Illinois.

1 son: Louis Danny, born 17 August 1951, married Pamela Thomas, born 27 August 1952, on 17 February 1973.

3 children: Monica Renee 27 September 1971 Adopted by Louie in August 1976 married Tim Knapp 6 November 1993. No children.

Melinda Dawn, born 12 August 1973, married Richard Allen Bowlin, born 11 December ?

2 sons: Wade Allen born 16 August 1993

Jacob Shayne born 10 April 1996

Michael Louis born 30 September 1976 married Kristina Jo Garner in St. Louis, Missouri. Both are in the Air Force.

Dorothy Helen Buritta, born 10 March 1935, married 28 March 1967 in

Murphysboro, Jackson County, Illinois.

1 son: Scott Allen, born 15 February 1972, married Kimberly Carin McIntosh in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Divorced 1996.

## HOTTES-STAHLEBER

Harvey Creigh Hottes, born 25 June 1934, son of Louis G. Hottes, born 28 February 1907 and died 2 July 1991, and Anna M. Weil, born 2 September 1905, married Nancy Carrol Stahlheber, born 25 February 1938, daughter of Thurlow Emmons Stahlheber, born 4 April 1908 and died 4 March 1967, and Stella M. Jennings, born 3 March 1915, on 28 July 1956 in Paul's Evangelized and Reformed Church, presently St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois. His great-grandfather, Louis (Jung) Yung Sr., being a founding father with eleven other German speaking families in the surrounding Pinckneyville area.

Harvey, having learned good farming practices growing up, wanted to farm. His great aunt Meta Yung invited him to take over her home farm in the spring of 1956. However, the United States government had other plans, in November of 1956 he received his draft notice and was to report in

30 days. Harvey was granted an extension to 25 February 1957 at there was livestock, crops, and machinery to be disposed of.



Harvey and Nancy Hottes on their 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

In the service the men were given a battery of tests to see what they were best suited to do. Harvey is a gifted mechanic and had the highest test score for his unit, therefore given a choice of truck mechanic in Fort Hood, Arkansas or air plane, helicopter school at Fort Rucker, Alabama; he chose Fort Rucker. After graduation he was sent to Fort Renning, Georgia, where he was a crew chief for L-19 fixed wing aircraft. Within 3 months he was promoted to Aircraft Supply Clerk as he was one of the few who knew all the tools and where they were used. In February of 1959 the Army let him go with civilian job offers in Georgia, Florida, and Texas.

Harvey still wanted to farm so we came back to Southern Illinois and Perry County, with a deadline of 3 months of finding our own farm.

With 40 acres in Galum and Pipestone bottom, he wanted something close and found the Freeman Robinson farm in 6-3 township west of Galum and Pipestone bottom. The farm consisted of 160 acres of semi-bottom ground and another 40 adjoining from Alice Green. By May Harvey was doing what he loved most, farming.

To this union came three children: Perry Lee (13<sup>th</sup> generation) born 8 April 1960, married Doris Ann Morganthaler, born 24 January 1958, on 18 July 1980. They have two daughters (14<sup>th</sup> generation) Lauren Christine born 24 January 1982 and Morgan Brooke born 5 February 1990.

Paul Andrew, born 29 August 1962, married Leslie Jean Knop, born 6 July 1972.

Marriage took place in Winehill Lutheran Church, Randolph County, on 12 September 1992. Divorced 7 November 1994. No children.

Patina Carrol, born 24 March 1967, married Glen Alan Kilpatrick, born 11 December 1962.

2 children: Kaylee Ida Carrol born 30 June 1989

Kensley Gene Alan born 24 January 1991

Divorced 4 June 1996.

Patina married Bart Quinten Glodo, born 20 March 1965, on 14 June 1996.

Bart had three children: Ryan 16 December 1981, Kendra born 13 October 1983, and Lance born 17 October 1989. Bart's first wife was Angela Wedemeyer born in 1966 and died 4 November 1995.

As the family grew, the farm grew to eventually 560 acres. Nancy started a baking business in 1976 making wedding and all occasion cakes. Harvey started a grain cleaning business, Hottes Seed Cleaning, in 1992 with the equipment from the old Zacher Milling Company of Pinckneyville. Farmers from surrounding counties and as far

away as Missouri, Kentucky, Indiana, and Ohio bring seed to be cleaned.

## HOUSE-FREEZE

Jacob House (Haus, originally German) was born on 1 August 1795 in North Carolina. He married Elizabeth Freeze (Freis?) (born 1799 in North Carolina), the daughter of Peter and Penelope Freeze, on 20 January 1816 in Rowan County, North Carolina. They came to Perry County in 1832 and settled north of Du Quoin.

In their son Wiley's obituary it was written that Jacob had 21 children. Only 11 of those 21 children can be verified. The first eight children were born in Rowan County, North Carolina; Lydia (7 September 1818-25 March 1897) married Jacob Wiley Quillman on 26 October 1843; Peter (1820-22 September 1874) married Mary Smith on 14 April 1845, married second wife, Elizabeth Smith, on 28 November 1847, and married his third wife, Elmira Robinson, 4 October 1866; Alexander (born 1821) married Latitia Robinson and second wife, Susan Dailey, on 29 February 1852; John (1e823-1890) married Minerva Orton; Elizabeth (1825) married John Robinson on 21 November 1844; Archibald (10 March 1826-18 July 1905) married Mary Jane Carner on 1 April 1847; George (1827) married Rachel Robinson; Lucretia (7 August 1829) married William Bost; and Jacob (born 1831) married Marth Robinson. Catherine (1834) who married Riley Needham on 7 November 1850; Wiley (24 November 1835-21 April 1911) married Malinda Orton on 30 March 1854. Alexander, Archibald, and John moved to Missouri. Together, Jacob and Elizabeth had 47 grandchildren and over 122 great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth died at age 53 in 1852. Jacob married Leah Dry on 2 November 1852. They had a son, Thomas Roland (14 August 1854-15 March 1938) who married Sarah Lipe on 17 July 1873 and second wife, Frances Hamilton.

Jacob built a log cabin and farmed a large tract of land north of Du Quoin. He was a successful farmer. He died on 7 October 1875 at the age of 80. He left the bulk of his land and home place to his youngest son, Thomas. He also left some acreage to his son Wiley. Five of those acres still remain in the House family, belonging to Eugene House of Wilmington, Illinois. Submitted by Michael K. House, 3<sup>rd</sup> great-grandson

## HOUSE-HEAPE

Vallie Edward House (1889-1964), the son of Edward and Melissa (Marlow) House, married Lillie Bell Heape (1887-1986), the daughter of George and Sarah (Benson) Heape, on 12 March 1911. The first few years of their married life were spent south of Sunfield across from the Kimmel residence at the crossroads, then to the Robert Bailey homeplace in 1923, and then to the Heape farm in 1926. To this union was born three children, Gladys Lorretta (1911-1977), Wanda Lucille (1918), and Charles Edward (1923-1986).

Gladys married Floyd Opp in 1934. Born to them were Barbara Ann, 1936, and Bonnie Lynn, 1947. Barbara married Bill Waller in 1955. They have four daughters, Bonita who has two daughters by her first marriage, Amy and Andrea Mathis. Bonita is now married to Mike Tacosik and lives near Pinckneyville. Beth Smith who lives in Bloomington and is an Art teacher there. Brenda who is married to Tom Glodo. They have two



girls at home. Lindsey, 14, and Lauren, 11, and they live near Pinckneyville.

Bridgette married Chris Poor. To them were born three girls, Sabrey, Kaitlyn, and Savanna. They live in Kentucky where Chris is a Medical Doctor.

Bonnie married Monte Franklin. They have two children, Laura Lynn, adopted in March 1978 and Dru Michael born in 1981. They live in Herrin, Illinois.

Floyd and Gladys lived south of the Friendship Church of Christ where Floyd farmed and Gladys was a school teacher for several years.

Wanda married Lawrence Enoch Taylor, the son of James and Rosa Taylor, on 16 December 1939. They had two children, Grant Allen (4 September 1942) and Marilyn Sue (16 March 1945). Grant married Peggy Annette Queen on 24 June 1961. Born to them was Kelley Ann who married James Searby on 8 August 1981. They have two sons, Joshua James, 28 July 1983, and Matthew Grant on 15 April 1986. They lived in rural Tamaroa.

Trina Annette Taylor married Robert Conte on 16 June 1992 and on 13 July 1996 they adopted Garrett Taylor Conte. They live in Ballwin, Missouri.

Rick Allen Taylor was born 26 August 1977. He lives in Tamaroa and works at Taylor Brothers Welding and Machine Shop.

Grant and Peggy live south of Tamaroa on the old Heape-House farm. Grant is currently co-owner of Taylor Brothers Welding and Machine Shop in Tamaroa. Peggy is a housewife.

Marilyn Sue Taylor lived in West Virginia for 17 years before moving back to Tamaroa in 1990. She was a teacher in West Virginia and owned a riding arena where she gave riding lessons. She now is co-owner of "To Perfection" restaurant in Du Quoin and is currently also employed at Taylor Brothers Welding and Machine Shop in Tamaroa.

Lawrence Taylor was co-owner of Taylor Brothers for many years before retiring. He died 27 May 1997 and is buried at Sunset Cemetery. Wanda is a housewife and she survives. Charles E. House married Eleanor Taylor on 20 July 1947, and to them were born three children, Janice, Christy, and Scott House. Charles was a pilot in World War II. After the war he was superintendent of schools in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. He died in 1986 and was buried in the Military Cemetery at Mounds, Illinois.

## JOSEPH S. HOUSE

Jacob and Elizabeth Freeze House came to Perry County sometime after 1830 with 10 of their 12 children. Jacob was a southerner, by birth, to a German immigrant family in North Carolina.

Joseph was born to their son, George and Rachel Robinson House on 9 June 1867 in Elkhville, Illinois. Joseph lost his mother, Rachel, when he was only five years old on 15 August 1871. Two years later on 8 September 1873, his father, George died from cholera, leaving him and his siblings to the care of his stepmother, Phoebe.

He felt his destiny could be found out west, so as a young man, he followed the trails west to Glenn County, California.

The farming instinct that had been instilled from his early years, found him working in the vineyards of Napa Valley. He was a foreman for W. H. Grafton, who owned a ranch. After Mr.

Grafton's death Joseph managed a vineyard, orchard, and fruit lands owned by Tibucos Parrott.

With the proceeds of his labor, he bought 160 acres in Humboldt County and in January of 1902, Joseph and his wife Ollie Flora (Sears) House, settled with their family on twenty acres near Santa Ana. Good orchardist as he was, the ranch grew oranges, walnuts, and apricots.



Joseph S. and Ollie Flora (Sears) House, Merle in buggy. Boys L to R: Glenn, Ellis, Verne, and Gordon House.

Ollie and Joseph were married 22 November 1889. Ollie was born in Bolsa, now Santa Ana, to Thompson Sears, and Martha (Cook) Sears, both Kentuckians, by birth.

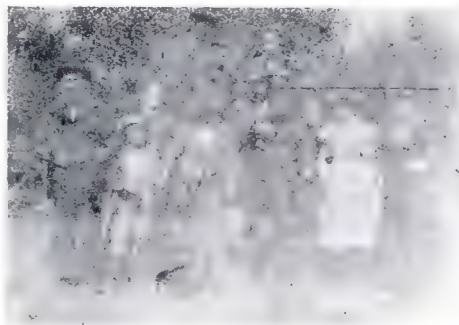
Joseph had become a true entrepreneur, owning several parcels of land and holding investments and stocks. He became one of the largest stockholders and was a trustee of the San Joaquin Farms Company.

Joseph and Ollie had five sons, Ellis Henry, Vernon Leroy, Gordon Thomas, Glenn Alvin, and Merle (Jack), this compiler's father.

Joseph maintained religious principles in the Presbyterian Church and was instrumental in the success of its philanthropic and missionary enterprises. Submitted by Robert Joseph House

## HOUSE-ORTON

Wiley House (born 24 November 1835 in Du Quoin, Illinois) was the son of Jacob House and Elizabeth Freeze (Fries?). He married 14 year old, Malinda Orton (born 29 May 1839, Perry County, Illinois), daughter of Johnzy Orton and Susannah Farres on 30 March 1854. They made their home in rural Du Quoin (Holden) where he was a farmer. He farmed on land he inherited from his father, Jacob House.



L to R: Wiley, Wylie, Malinda, Walter Greenfield, Charles, Lyle, Laura Williams House, Lois House, and Laura House Greenfield.

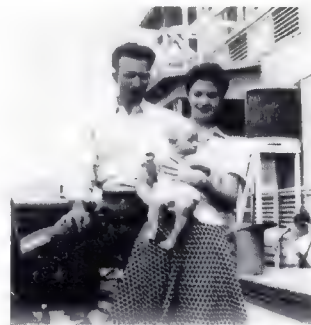
Wiley and Malinda had 9 children all born on their farm in rural Du Quoin: Susana Elizabeth (born 18 June 1855) married Napoleon Maclin on 28 June 1883; Jacob Edward (21 October 1857-11 July 1925) married Malissa Marlow on 9 March

1881; Clara Belle (19 June 1860-23 January 1921) married Marion Dry on 7 October 1885; Julia Bellzora (3 April 1863-15 October 1950) married Sam Stevens on 18 May 1884; Charles (9 September 1865-1 October 1902) married Laura Williams on 17 July 1883; William Frank (17 September 1868-16 February 1937) married Julia Marlow on 25 October 1897; Harry W. (born 28 September 1870) married Maude Owens on 7 October 1896 and second wife, Ada Womack; Lewis Guy (born 23 February 1873) and Laura Kate (11 July 1879-10 August 1927) married Walter Greenfield on 26 August 1897. Names and dates found in Wiley and Malinda House's family bible now in the possession of Michael K. House.

Wiley and Malinda lived apart from 1899 until their deaths. Malinda resided with their daughter Laura Kate, and Wiley continued to live on the farm. Wiley died of heart failure at the age of 75 on 21 April 1911. His obituary stated that he was the last remaining child of a very large family of 21 children. Malinda lived to be 71 and died on 10 May 1911. Submitted by Michael K. House, 2<sup>nd</sup> great-grandson

## HOUSE-WAGNER

Eugene Lyle House (went by the name Gene) was born on 13 November 1923 in Du Quoin, the son of Lyle Stanley House and Lora Cecil Weaver House. He had two older sisters, Marjorie and Ruth. Gene spent his childhood years divided between Du Quoin and a farm north of Du Quoin. His father was a coal miner and worked hard to support his family during those difficult years.



Eugene and Martha Joann Wagner House holding Thomas House.

Gene served in the army during World War II from 11 March 1943 until 7 January 1946. He served as a wire repairman in the Army Air Corp. He served in Africa and Italy. When he returned home he met and married Martha Joann (who went by Joann) Wagner on 13 October 1946.

Joann was born 13 December 1927 in Pinckneyville, the daughter of Theodore Wagner and Rosina Wilhelmina "Minnie" Beck. She had two older brothers; George and Paul and two older sisters; Olga and Wilma. When she was a year old her parents moved the family to a farm in Dwight, Illinois where she lived until she was 11. They returned to Pinckneyville where her father owned and operated a hardware store.

Shortly after their marriage they moved to Yuma, Arizona. While in Yuma, Gene worked for the railroad. There, first son, Thomas Eugene was born in Yuma on 19 April 1947, married to Janet on 2 September 1989. They returned to Illinois and settled in Du Quoin where their second son, Wiley Don (known as Don) was born on 17 December 1947 married to Karen McCaffery on 20



August 1982. While in Du Quoin, Gene worked for the mines until he was laid off. In 1952 the family moved to Dwight, Illinois where Gene began his employment with Caterpillar Tractor. Their third son, Michael Kim, was born on 17 June 1952 in Steator, Illinois, married to Laurel Berglund on 24 August 1972. They moved to Joliet in 1953 and their daughter, Connie Jo, was born 11 September 1954 married to Joseph Hermes on 10 August 1980.

Gene worked for Caterpillar until he retired in 1978. Joann worked for a Thrif-T-Mart Supermarket until it closed in 1978. He and Joann moved to Wilmington, Illinois where they now own and operate two floral/gift shops and an antique mall. Joann and Gene have 12 grandchildren. *Submitted by Michael K. House, son*

## HOUSE-WEAVER

Lyle Stanley House, (born 22 May 1893), the fourth child of Charles House and Laura Williams House was born in rural Du Quoin (Holden area). Lora Cecil Weaver was born 20 June 1894, daughter of Job Eugene Weaver and Mattie Jane Ragsdale Weaver. Lora married John Bland when she was only 16 years old. It was a brief marriage, lasting only two weeks. At age 20 Lora married Lyle House in Evansville, Indiana on 30 January 1915.



*L to R: Eugene, Ruth, and Marge House.*

Lyle and Lora made their home in Du Quoin and their three children were born there: Marjorie Pauline (3 March 1919-1 August 1993) married Lyman Aken; Ruth Beatrice (4 February 1921-4 December 1970) married James Erwin (25 July 1937); and Eugene Lyle (13 November 1923) married Martha Joann Wagner (13 October 1946).

Lyle worked as a coal miner, working in the deep coal mines as well as the strip mines. For a few years he owned and operated a dairy. He was a member of the Odd Fellows. With his own hands, Lyle built a house on Route 51 north of Du Quoin on land that had been handed down to him through his family. Lora was a member of the Hope Rebekah Lodge and a faithful member of the Du Quoin Southern Baptist Church.

Lyle died from a massive coronary at the age of 67, on 1 April 1961 in Du Quoin. Lora went to live with her daughter, Marjorie, in the 1970s and died 9 August 1975 at the age of 81 in Tuscon, Arizona. Lyle and Lora are survived by their son Eugene House who resides in Wilmington, Illinois; 8 grandchildren and 20 great-grandchildren. *Submitted by Michael K. House, grandson*

## HOUSE-WILLIAMS

Charles House (born 9 September 1865 in Du Quoin, Illinois), the son of Wiley House and

Malinda Orton, married Laura Williams (born 4 February 1866 in Battle Creek, Michigan), daughter of Walter Williams and Olive White on 17 July 1883 in rural Du Quoin (Holden).



*Charles House.*

They had five children all born in Du Quoin: Charles (12 November 1883-24 August 1884); Lois (20 July 1885-2 June 1956) married James Mitchell on 2 January 1909; Wylie (12 July 1888-15 January 1939) married Lillian Cavins on 24 April 1921; Lyle (22 May 1893-1 April 1961) married Lora Weaver on 30 January 1915; and Blanche (18 April 1899-11 December 1979) married Albert Baxter on 7 April 1917.

Charles owned and operated a livery stable in Du Quoin. He loved to dance. He was sick for a month with Typhoid Fever and died at age 37 on 1 October 1902, leaving Laura to raise four children on her own. Laura lived to be 67 years old and died of colon cancer on 19 March 1933.

*Submitted by Michael K. House, great-grandson*

## HUBLER-MOSS

Ben Theodore Hubler married Amanda Bertha Moss on 20 October 1878 in Washington County. Their homestead was in the Rice area, Perry County. Ben was a farmer. At least later in his life, he had a mustache and goatee that was white as snow. He hunted mushrooms which were plentiful in his day and he always knew which ones were poisonous. He once bought his grandson Ted Kuhl (article in this book) a fishing pole with a cork on it. He attended the Old Concord Church in Washington County.



*Ben T. and Amanda Hubler.*

Ben's date of birth had some unresolved questions. According to a researcher in Germany, he was born 7 May 1837 in Germany. His parents were Benhard Theodore and Anna Catharina (Debbert) Longenhovel. The family came to America in 1846 and were in the St. Louis, Missouri area at least by the 1850 census. This family later changed their name to Hubler.

However, when Ben married, he stated he was born in St. Louis, Missouri and the age he gave made him born in 1841. His tombstone did not have a birth date but states he was 71 years, 1 month, and between 2 and 8 days old when he died. Four different sources have four different numbers of days. Although these dates are not always accurate, figuring back from his date of death, he would have been born 24-30 November 1841. The discrepancy has not been resolved at this time.

Also, his name was usually listed as B. T. or Ben T. Hubler. The Germany researcher showed his name Bernhardt. His probate showed it as Benjamin. Ben died 2 January 1913 in Perry County.

Amanda, according to her tombstone was born 20 June 1859 and died 15 June 1897. Her parents listed on her marriage record were Martin and Ann Eliza Moss. Ben and Amanda are buried in the Old Concord Cemetery, Washington County.

Their known children are:

Amy Catherine Hubler (possibly born 5 March 1880)

Herman T. Hubler (3 September 1881-1 November 1962), married Catherine Zitt, children, order unknown, are Edna (Hubler) Brand, Irene (Hubler) Boomersheim, John, and Herman G. ("Bud") Hubler.

Anna Bertha (Hubler) Kuhl (born 6 September 1883) (article in this book)

Ida May (Hubler) Amann Law (13 September 1885-20 May 1969), one daughter, Dorothy (Amann) Duehlmeier.

Mary Alvena ("Vena") Hubler (20 February 1891-21 June 1964), married Henry Anton Stern, children, order unknown, are Victor and Cecil Stern, Eunice (Mrs. Bernard) Smith, Alene (Mrs. Alvin) Bruns, and two sons who died in infancy.

Kate L. Hubler (possibly born 16 April 1889) died in infancy. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## HUELSMANN-GILLENBERG

Anthony "Tony" Huelsmann was born 13 March 1852 in St. Louis, Missouri, the first child of Gerhard Henry Huelsmann of Hanover, Germany, and Maria "Angela" Thelen, of Osalage, Hanover, Germany. (See Gerhard Huelsmann Article)



*Anthony and Helena "Lina" Gillenberg Huelsmann.*

In 1853 Tony's parents moved to Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois. Seven other Huelsmann children were born in Waterloo.

In 1881 Tony moved to Du Quoin, Illinois, to be a farm hand. Tony's sister Adeline had married John Koerber on 3 June 1879 and the couple moved to Du Quoin to farm. During the next two



years Tony met Helena "Lina" Gillenberg, daughter of John Gillenberg and Katharina Ebeleng. Tony and Lina were married on 9 November 1882 at Sacred Heart Church in Du Quoin with Joseph Koerber and Anna Huelsmann (Schleper) as witnesses.

Tony and Lina set up housekeeping on a farm, six miles southwest of Du Quoin. Tony's younger sister Anna Huelsmann (Schleper) came from Waterloo to help the Huelsmann family and the Koerber family during childbirth and to care for the young children.

Tony and Lina had eleven children: 1) Anton (1883-1961) who married Clara Kreher (1886-1978); 2) Clara (1895-1973) never married; 3) Angelia (July 1897-1973) who married Ed Huhn (December 1891-June 1933) and second husband Louie Epplin, resided in Pinckneyville; 4) Cecilia (1900-1985) who married Robert Curt (1898-1969); 5) Adelaide (April 1886-May 1957) who married Joseph Endres (October 1882-July 1940); and 6) Frank (22 June 1893-20 August 1960) who married Mildred Flint (29 October 1899-17 October 1982). Tony and Lina had five children that died as infants: John, Anna, Mary, Cathryn, and Adelaide.

Tony and Lina's grandchildren were: 1) Anton and Clara Huelsmann's family was Charles (Children Sue and David), Edward (never married), Raymond (married Susan, two girls), and Eugene (married Dorothy Siefert, children Kathy and Ed), who retired in Du Quoin. 2) Cecelia and Robert W. Curt's family was Cecilia Ann (killed by train), Baby Glenn, Charles (never married), and Robert Jr. (married Judith Sullivan, lived in Coulterville, Illinois, children are Kathy (Bob Gimbler, Coulterville), Kim (Jim Smith, Coulterville), Kay (Mike Stearns, Oakdale, Illinois), and Kristi. 4) Adelaide "Addie" and Joe Endres' family of Vergennes, Illinois was Adelaide (never married), Henry (married Geneva Holt—children are Gary, Carolyn Falkenburg, Sharon Sanders, Henry's second wife Geneva), and Joe (married Myrtle Wafford and the couple adopted 6 children). 5) Frank and Mildred Huelsmann's family of Du Quoin are three: a) Helen Marie (Mrs. Ralph McMillan of Du Quoin) whose children are Richard (Sue Dixon), Bruce, Lynn (Mrs. Ken Diesburg); b) Bernard (June Hahn) of Du Quoin whose children are Stephen and Raymond; c) Virginia (Mrs. Ted Stovall of Summerville, Tennessee) whose children are David and Sandra.

Tony and Lina and their children entertained their Schleper cousins and Koerber cousins on Sunday afternoon at their farm. This was a leisure day for everyone.

Grandma Lina died in 1934 at her daughter's home in Belleville, Illinois and was buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery. Grandpa Tony stayed on the farm as long as he could. He owned his farm for 45 years, but later he moved to his eldest son Tony and Clara Huelsmann's home at 29 North Linden, Du Quoin. Grandpa Tony died on 21 November 1936 at the age of 84 years, 8 months, 8 days, and was buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin.

(See Gerhardt Huelsmann, Adelaide Huelsmann, Koerber, Schleper). Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin, Helen McMillan, and Miss Kristi Curt

## HUELSMANN-KOERBER

Adeline Catherine Huelsmann (Hulsmann) was the fourth child of eight to be born to Gerhard

Henry Huelsmann and Maria "Angela" Thelen. Her father Gerhard was born 1821 in Hanover, Germany. Her mother Angela was born 1828 in Osalage, Hanover, Germany. Angela's parents were John "Henry" and Mary "Rose" Thelen. Henry and Rose Thelen immigrated to St. Louis, Missouri in 1831 with their four daughters Mary, Maria G., Maria E., and Maria Angela, who was three years old.



Adeline Huelsmann Koerber.

Adeline's oldest brother was Tony Huelsmann, born 13 March 1852 in St. Louis died 21 November 1936 in Du Quoin. About 1853 Gerhard and Angela Huelsmann with their son, Tony, moved to Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois. Seven other Huelsmann children were born in Waterloo. (see Gerhard Huelsmann's article)

Adeline born 2 August 1858 was baptized 12 August 1858 at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Waterloo, Illinois. At eighteen, she married John Koerber on 3 June 1879 at the same church. Witnesses were her brother Fred Koerber and sister Anna Huelsmann (Hulsmann).

Adeline and John Koerber moved to a farm four miles southwest of Du Quoin. In 1882 Adeline's brother Tony Huelsmann and new bride Helena "Lina" Gillenberg bought a farm six miles southwest of Du Quoin. Probably Adeline needed the assistance of her younger sister, Anna Huelsmann (Schleper) from Waterloo to assist her with the growing family. The Koerber family included 10 children: 1) John (3 May 1880-23 July 1925) who moved to Manhattan, Montana; 2) Anton (23 November 1881-) moved to Harding, Montana; 3) Anna Margaretha (3 March 1883-); 4) Adelaida Margaret (17 May 1886) married G. A. Van Eps, Evanston, Illinois; 5) Frank Joseph (10 October 1887-died after 1925) moved to Manhattan, Montana; 6) Theodore (1888 died as a baby); 7) Rudolph (21 February 1890-); 8) Agnes (20 June 1891-20 June 1892); 9) Fred (28 May 1893-); and 10) Herman Fred (2 November 1895-).

Adeline died at an early age of 38 years, 5 months, 14 days on 21 January 1897. She is buried at the Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin, alongside of her son Theodore.

Widower John Koerber and his children visited his brother-in-law, Tony Huelsmann along with the Schleper cousins on Sunday afternoons. The children enjoyed the open spaces on the farm. However, the Koerbbers drifted away from the family after widower John married widow Antonette Goetz in 1898. (see Huelsmann, Schleper, John and Fred Koerber's articles) Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. Howard Bryant Austin)

## ANNA HUELSMANN SCHLEPER

Mary "Anna" Huelsmann was the seventh of eight children born to Gerhard Henry Huelsmann and Maria "Angela" nee Thelen Huelsmann. Anna was born 3 December 1866 in Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois. (See Huelsmann and Schleper files) Anton, John Earnest, Adeline, Anna, and Gerhard Henry were the five living Huelsmann children of Henry and Angela.



L to R Back Row: Beatrice, Gert, Tony, Baby Adelhaide, Mrs. Anna Schleper, Annie, and 2 hired girls Ena and Julia Helmer; L to R Front Row: Clem, Henry, and Jerry Schleper.

On 3 June 1879, eighteen-year-old sister Adeline Huelsmann married John Koerber and moved to Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois which is about sixty miles from Waterloo. Two years later brother Tony Huelsmann moved to Du Quoin to be a farm hand and in 1882 married Helena "Lina" Gillenberg. Anna Huelsmann was a witness to this marriage in Du Quoin. Anna was in Du Quoin many times from 1880 to 1883, helping sister Adeline or sister-in-law Lina in childbirth since Adeline had ten children and Lina had eleven children. Anna also was in Du Quoin for many of the children's baptisms when she and her mother Angela nee Thelen Huelsmann would come by carriage from Waterloo to Freeport to catch the train for Du Quoin for these special occasions.

On these frequent trips to Du Quoin, Anna was introduced to widower Frank J. Schleper, Sr. who was the proprietor of a merchantile-grocery store on the corner of West Main Street. Frank Schleper had lost his first wife, Katherine nee Miller Schleper, on 8 November 1881. Frank and Katherine's only child was Frank J. Schleper, Jr. born 7 March 1880 in Du Quoin.

Widower Frank Sr., 32, married Anna Huelsmann, 16, his second marriage and her first marriage on 3 October 1883 at Sacred Heart Church in Du Quoin with Frank's close friend Reverend Charles Klocke officiating. Her mother, Angela Huelsmann had to sign a consent of approval of the marriage, filed at the Perry County Clerk's Office. Their home was above the corner merchantile store.

Frank and Anna's first child was Mary Anna ("Annie") born 7 February 1885. Annie joined her five-year-old half brother Frank. Then 1 September 1886 John "Henry" was born. Frank and Anna moved their three children to a newly constructed modest home on the corner of Walnut and Park Streets, a block north of the merchantile-grocery business.

This left their former business home on the second floor vacant. Frank established a knitting shop in this space.



The new home provided room for fourth baby Anthony Henry (Tony) born 20 August 1888; 5) Charles born 3 December 1889; 6) Beatrice born 26 December 1891; 7) Gertrude Wilhelmina born 11 May 1893; 8) Josephine Angela born 20 August 1895; 9) Gerhardt Anton (Jerry) born 28 January 1897; and 10) Clement Joseph born 14 September 1898.

About 1896 Grandma Angela Huelsmann from Waterloo was invited to move into the Schleper household. Also on 21 January 1897 Anna Schleper's sister Adeline nee Huelsmann Koerber died at age 38 years, 5 months, 14 days in Du Quoin.

On 3 March 1899 Frank Schleper Sr. had his residence at 103 North Walnut torn down and rebuilt on the same two lots. In August 1899 the spacious Schleper home was complete.

On 28 October 1901 Grandma Angela Huelsmann succumbed at age 73 years in Du Quoin. Her body was interred next to husband Gerhard at Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Waterloo.

The Schleper family continued to increase: 11) Rosa Maria born 2 November 1900; 12) Adelhaide born 9 February 1902; 13) Edward Cytillus born 9 February 1904; and 14) Godfrey Aloysious Joseph born 13 October 1905.

Frank and Anna had 13 children of their own and Frank's son, Frank Jr., to equal 14 in the Schleper family. The babies deceased are Charles, Rose, Adelaide, and Edward. Those who are living are daughters Anna, Beatrice, Gertrude, Josephine, and sons are Frank Jr., Henry, Tony, Jerry, Clem, and Godfrey.

From 1904 Anna began failing in health. She went to St. Louis several times for medical treatment. On one occasion she attended the St. Louis World's Fair with her St. Louis cousins, the Anton Griesediecke and Henry Grone families.

On 15 August 1906 Anna Schleper lost her husband Frank Sr. from an accidental fall in his merchantile-grocery business, called F. J. Schleper and Sons. Her husband sustained a broken collarbone, a broken arm, and internal injuries as a result of an accident five days earlier on 10 August. He was preparing an order for shipment while standing on an elevated platform when he lost his balance and fell, thus causing his untimely death from blood poisoning.

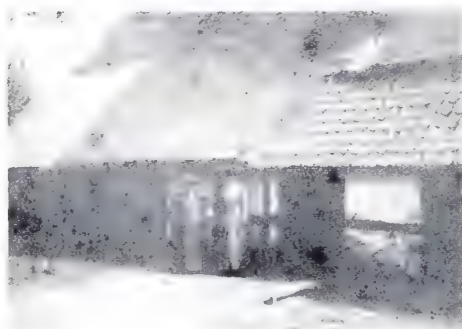
Widow Anna Schleper became weaker in 1907-1908 for a period of eight months. Nine weeks of which time was spent in St. Anthony Hospital in St. Louis. She was diagnosed with magligant fibra myorna of the uterus, and the duration of the disease was 5 years and 2 months. Anna nee Huelsmann Schleper died at her home on the morning of 16 November 1908 at age 41 years, 11 months, 13 days. The funeral was Wednesday at 9 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church. Interment was at the Catholic Cemetery in the Schleper lot. (See Huelsmann, Schleper, Koerber articles) *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. Howard Bryant Austin)*

## HUELSMANN-THELEN

The Huelsmann family had three of their children move to Du Quoin, Illinois and raise their children and grandchildren. They were Anton Huelsmann, Adeline Huelsmann Koerber, and Anna Huelsmann Schleper. Here is the story.

Gerhard Henry Huelsmann (German is Hulsman) was born in 1821 in Hanover, North-

ern Germany. He and his brother Anton came to St. Louis, Missouri between 1840-1850. Brother Anton moved to Carlyle, Clinton County, Illinois. He was a well-known and substantial farmer, recorded in Carlyle Constitution Obituary 26 February 1874. Gerhard married Maria Angela Thelen, called "Angela," in 1851 in St. Louis.



Angela Thelen's home in Osalage, Hanover, Germany in 1830.

Angela was born in 1828 in Osalage, Hanover, Germany. Her parents were John "Henry" Thelen and Mary "Rose" Brinkman. The Thelens with their four daughters immigrated to St. Louis in 1831 when Angela was three. The girls married in St. Louis: 1) "Mary" to John H. Morhmann on 11 February 1847; 2) "Maria G." to Ludges A. Osterholt on 25 November 1847; 3) "Maria E." to Henri Grone on 9 September 1852; 4) Angela to Gerhard Huelsmann in 1851. However, Mary Mohrmann died after giving birth to their second child and Maria G. Osterholt died 1 year after her marriage.

Gerhard and Angela's first child was Anthony "Tony" Huelsmann, born 13 March 1852 in St. Louis. During the next year, Gerhard moved his young family across the Mississippi to Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois.

Gerhard's occupation was a plasterer for buildings. During the years from 1854 to 1869, the next seven children were born and were baptized at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church, Waterloo. They were: 2) Gerhard "Henry" (10 August 1854-23 December 1863); 3) John Earnest (1 October 1856- ); 4) Adeline Catherine (2 August 1858-21 January 1897 Du Quoin); 5) Francis Henry (8 June 1861-March 1870); 6) George Henry (26 May 1864-13 June 1865); 7) Mary "Anna" (3 December 1866-16 November 1908 Du Quoin); 8) Gerhard Henry (6 August 1869-8 December 1889—20 years).

Gerhard, father, contacted Typhoid Fever at the age of 58 and lingered 13 days before dying on 15 April 1879. He was buried in a "tin" coffin, isolated from the other graves because of the fear of the spread of Typhoid at Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Waterloo.

Angela stayed in Waterloo, even after her 20-year-old son died in 1889. In 1896 Grandma Angela came to live with her daughter "Anna" Huelsmann, wife of prominent businessman Frank J. Schleper, Sr. of Du Quoin, who operated a retail and wholesale grocery businesses. She was a great help with the ten Schleper children at this time (14 children total).

Grandma Angela's eldest son Tony Huelsmann and wife Helena "Lina" Gillenberg had a farm six miles southwest of Du Quoin. They had eleven children. Angela's older daughter Adeline and her husband John Koerber had a farm

to the north of Tony Huelsmann. The Koerbbers had ten children. Adeline Koerber died at age 38 on 21 January 1897.

Grandma Angela died on 28 October 1901 at the Schleper home. Her daughter and granddaughters prepared the body, which lay overnight in the Schleper parlor. The children took turns "sitting up" with Grandma through the night in the candlelight room. Funeral mass was offered by Father Klocke and her body was taken by train to Freeport and then by carriage to be interred next to her husband Gerhard H. Huelsmann in Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Cemetery in Waterloo. Mrs. Anna Schleper and eldest brother Tony Huelsmann, both of Du Quoin, are the only two immediate survivors. They accompanied the body." (DQ TRIBUNE)

(see other Huelsmann, Koerber, Schleper articles) *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. Howard B. Austin)*

## HUTCHINGS

The Hutchings families of Perry County, Illinois arrived from Logan County, Kentucky and Robertson County, Tennessee in the year of 1816. These families were of William and John Hutchings. John and William left a brother Richard and sister Anna Hutchings Rice in Tennessee. To this date, extensive research has failed to reveal the parents or birth origin of these four Hutchings.

Records have substantiated that they were in Logan County, Kentucky in 1796. Later in Robertson County, Tennessee, across the state line from their Red River Settlement.

After the death and burial of a child, which most likely belonged to John Hutchings. John and William Hutchings first purchased land on Beaucoup Creek in Section 19, T4S, R2W Randolph County, (later became Perry County). This area continued to be their residence and farming settlement for many years.

John Hutchings was married to Susannah Youree, 13 January 1806, Sumner County, Tennessee. They had four children, William, Alexander, and Mary Ann. One child died in infancy. John Hutchings died 5 November 1843. Buried in the Hutchings Cemetery, northwest quarter Section 19, T4S, R2W, now abandoned.

William was married to Selah Jones, prior to Illinois. His family consisted of Selah, John R., Richard, Cynthia Ann, Eli J., Elijah Martin, Wesley Washington, and Deliah Jones, most probably Selah's niece. William died 25 December 1824. Selah Jones Hutchings died 15 August 1836, Perry County, Illinois.

Eli J. Hutchings born 18 March 1810, Robertson County, Tennessee. Married Sabra G. Rice Hutchings, wife of Alexander Hutchings, who was killed in the Black Hawk War, 3 August 1832. Eli J. died 14 August 1866, buried in Old Concord Cemetery, Washington County, Illinois. Eli J. and Sabra G. had nine children. All the children, except Alexander M. Hutchings stayed in Illinois. Two of Eli J.'s sons, Martin Van Buren and William A. Hutchings, died in the Civil War.

Alexander M. Hutchings, second child of Eli J. Hutchings married Kiturah A. W. (Gunn) Dry, 25 January 1856. Kiturah was a widow of Daniel Dry. Alexander and Kiturah moved to Texas, a short period of time, back to Illinois circa 1860 or 1861. Alexander M. and Kiturah moved to Baxter County, Arkansas. Kiturah died in Newton



County, Missouri circa 1906. There were nine known children born in this union. Mandy J., Henry W., James A., Sabra Alice, Eli Martin, Ulyssis Grant, Mary A., Zilla, and Noel Alexander Hutchings. The grandfather of this writer.

There has been genealogical books and supplements by Jack Randolph Hutchings published and available in many libraries across the country. John Hutchings of Joplin, Missouri and others have done extensive research in this line of Hutchings, and collateral lines of Rice, Jones, and etc. Books have been placed in Neohso, Joplin, Missouri, Springfield, Tennessee, Ada, Oklahoma, Chester, and Illinois. These books contain detailed land, marriage, death, and other pertinent information regarding the Hutchings families. *Submitted by John L. Hutchings*

## HUTCHINGS-CORR

Francis Marion Hutchings ("Marion") was born 9 April 1842 either in Logan County, Kentucky or Robertson County, Tennessee to Richard and Mahala/Mahalia (Holland) Hutchings. His paternal grandparents were Richard and Dicey/Dicy (Baker) Hutchings who were living in Logan County, Kentucky when they died. Around 1848 Marion, his parents, and siblings were in St. Francois County, Missouri. Their homestead was around Bonne Terre. Around 1863 Marion was in Perry County, Illinois area. He was the only one in the family to come to Illinois to settle and raise a family.



Marion and Rachel Hutchings.

Marriage record shows Elnora R. but later records show Rachel Lanora Corr ("Rachel"). She was born 25 November 1850, Washington County, Illinois. Her parents are believed to be James and Nancy (Richardson) Corr.

Marion and Rachel married 14 November 1872 in Washington County. Their homestead was in Rice, Perry County, Illinois where they farmed and had an orchard and lived the rest of their lives. Rachel was a member of the Old then New Concord Church. Marion died 1 February 1900. Rachel died 18 September 1923. Both died in Perry County, Illinois and are buried in the Old Concord Cemetery in Washington County.

Marion and Rachel had 10 children. (Some information from other researchers.)

Richard Hutchings (4 October 1873-28 May 1943) (article in this book).

Clara Belle Hutchings (2 October 1875-16 or 17 April 1930), buried in Old Concord Cemetery, married John Alexander Dempsay, children: Zelma Esta (Dempsay) Jones, Elmer Thomas, and Velma Irene Dempsay.

Mollie Mahalia Hutchings (10 October 1877-16 or 18 December 1938), buried New Concord

Cemetery, married John T. Roberts, known children, order unknown: Leslie and Raymond Roberts.

Ezra Elmer Hutchings ("Ed") (9 September or 20 July 1881-30 October 1971), buried New Concord Cemetery, married Julia Ann Rice ("Annie"), children: Claude Norman, Elmer Luther, and Orval Cecil Hutchings, Ernie Daisy (Hutchings) McCune, Vernie Doris (Hutchings) Ferrari, Woodrow Wilson and Walter Hardin Hutchings, Jewell May (Hutchings) Long, Loren Hutchings, and Bernice Mildred (Hutchings) Logan. Ernie and Vernie are twins.

Annie Laura Hutchings (13 March 1883-14 October 1926), married William C. Aaron, known child: Thomas Aaron.

Grover Thomas Hutchings, sometimes seen as Grover Cleveland Hutchings, ("Dode") (29 January 1885-17 May 1947), buried New Concord Cemetery, married Minnie A. Thorman, known children, order unknown: Elmer, Paul, William, Richard, David Lee, Ella, Mildred, Ralph, Alvin, Thomas, Ray Edward, and Wilma Hutchings, and Violet (Hutchings) Ruzik.

Georgia Etta Hutchings (1 July 1887-27 February 1964), buried St. John's Cemetery, Granite City, Illinois, married John Morris, known children, order unknown: Jewell, Beulah, Vernon Morris, and Edna (Morris) Frazier.

Nancy Ann Hutchings ("Nan") (5 October 1889-11 July 1985), buried New Concord Cemetery, married Alexander Wesley Jones ("Wes"), no children.

James Marion Hutchings (17 November 1892-17 November 1892), this information from an earlier researcher only.

John Howard Hutchings (5 June 1894-19 August 19 1927), buried Old Concord Cemetery, never married. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## HUTCHINGS-JONES

John R. Hutchings, according to his tombstone, was born 22 April 1802. His parents were William and Celia (Jones) Hutchings (article in this book.) Around 1816/1817, he came with his parents in a covered wagon from Robertson County, Tennessee and settled in the Illinois Territory in what would later become the Perry and Washington County areas.

Delilah Jones, according to her tombstone, was born 3 March 1800. She also came in the covered wagon with the William Hutchings family. Her possible relation to Celia Jones has not been proven. The date John R. and Delilah married is not known.

John R. Hutchings was prominent in the civil organization of Perry County. He is found in many old records of Perry County and held many county offices including County Treasurer (1830-1832), County Coroner (1840 and continued office until 1848), County Surveyor (1848), and judge. He was one of the first three elected Commissioners of Perry County. It has been said that he is credited with picking out the location of the Perry County courthouse. The story goes that they had a basket type dinner. Each commissioner put up a stake. Whoever got the most people to gather around his stake, that was where the courthouse would be. John R. got more people around his stake.

John R. Hutchings was one of the earliest teachers and Baptist ministers. He was baptized

and ordained at the Nine Mile Church and afterwards was a member and pastor of the Concord Church. Concord was right across the Perry County line in Washington County. Long after John R. was gone, the church moved to Rice, Perry County, in 1924.

John R. died 23 June 1869 in Perry County. Delilah, according to her tombstone, died 9 December 1875, aged 75 years, 3 months, 6 days. Notice the number of months does not match, but it is not known whether it is the birth or death month or number of months that is incorrect. Both are buried in the Old Concord Cemetery, Washington County.

Their possible children that have been discovered at this time, order unknown, are: Minerva Catherine (Hutchings) Rice (article in this book), Eli, Felix, William, J. J. (possibly Jesse), John W., and Nancy (Hutchings) Cross. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## HUTCHINGS-JONES

William Hutchings married Celia (early records spell it Selah) Jones. Rumors say they possibly started out in North Carolina or Virginia, nothing proven. Later, they were in Robertson County, Tennessee. There are two possibilities, although it may be neither one or a combination of both, as to why they settled in Perry County.

The "1883 History of Randolph, Monroe, and Perry Counties" page 83, tells of the Hutchings coming to the Illinois Territory from Tennessee in old-fashioned horse drawn wagons. There were 18 persons in all: William Hutchings, his wife, and six children, a Delilah Jones, William's brother John Hutchings, his wife, four children, and three slaves. They were on their way to Missouri when they camped on the banks of the Beaucoup Creek in what later became Beaucoup Precinct, Perry County. After a few days rest, they pushed onward for about fifteen miles when "they abandoned their journey, and returned to their old former camping place, where they had found game and honey in abundance, and where the productive appearance of the surrounding country had favorably impressed them." The story states it was in 1816. However, a court record found in Tennessee makes the year possibly 1817.

That history was done when their son Wesley was still living. A second possibility comes from a researcher in the early 1900s who still had access to old letters, papers, and people closer to the action. He believed there was a child in the party who was ill and they stopped on the banks of the Beaucoup Creek to care for it. However, the child died and was buried there. The families moved but the grieving mother made them return to the grave and they settled there. He was not sure if the child belonged to William or John.

Whatever the exact reason, the Hutchings were one of the first permanent settlers in what would later become Perry County and were prominent and useful citizens. They are the first known settlers in what would become Beaucoup Precinct. Old maps showing all the early prairies in the county show Hutchings Prairie in T4S, R2W. Several Hutchings also spilled over into the Washington County area. There are many Hutchings now living in these counties who are descendants of the two brothers, William and John, who came to the Illinois Territory so long ago.

According to the "1879 History of Washington County, Illinois," page 75, William died



25 December 1824. His probate is in Randolph County since this was before Perry County was formed. Celia later remarried Solomon Stevens. According to the early Washington County history, Celia died 15 August 1836. However, her probate states her death was around 24 August 1836. She died in Perry County.

The early Washington County history states William and Celia had eight children, five boys and three girls. The children who have been found are John R. (article in this book), Richard, Eli J., Elijah M., Wesley Washington, and Cynthia Ann (Hutchings) Dillinger. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## HUTCHINGS-KUHL

Bill Clyde Hutchings was born 30 November 1910 in Rice, Perry County, Illinois to Richard and Lanora Ann (Rice) Hutchings (article in this book). Bill attended Duncan School. He loved to hunt. He played on the Rice Baseball team. He attended the Old Concord Church in Washington County, Illinois and later the New Concord Church when it was moved to Rice. He worked on his parents' farm and sorghum mill when young. In 1936 he joined Local Union 644 (now 738) and was a member for over 60 years. He worked on numerous things in Perry County including many highways, the courthouse, and the Pinckneyville Community Hospital.



*Bill and Helen Hutchings.*

Bill served in the United States Army in World War II from 1941 to 1945 as a machine gunner in antiaircraft. His parents sent him "The Democrat" (a Pinckneyville newspaper). Other soldiers also read it for news from home. Bill left on the train at the Pinckneyville Depot and eventually ended up in California. He later fought in the Aleutians and then went west across the ocean to India. He came back on the U.S.S. General W. F. Hase to New York and then to Pinckneyville. He traveled west all around the world.

Helen Elsie Kuhl was born 12 August 1927 in Rice, Illinois to August Theodore and Edna Elsie (Glenn) Kuhl (article in this book). Helen graduated from the Old Brick School. She attended the Galum Presbyterian Church. She loved to help put flags on the Veteran's graves in the Galum Cemetery. Helen worked on the farm her parents' rented in Pinckneyville while growing up. She worked various places including the Windsor Hotel and the Pinckneyville Garment Factory. While there, the union officers were sent to Madison, Wisconsin to attend meetings and she got to go. That was a big trip back then.

After Helen married, she was a waitress at various places including Luke's Café during its

heyday. When the Pinckneyville Panthers had an away game, they brought the kids back to town, stopped the bus at the stop sign next to Luke's and opened the doors. That was something to have all those kids hit at once. There was standing room only. Sometimes the bus got back to town late, but Luke's never closed until the team was home.

Bill and Helen married 27 February 1946 in Pinckneyville and were married over 51 years. In 1947 they moved into their home in Pinckneyville which at that time was next to the No. 5 mine. They lived there all their lives. Bill always had big gardens. He loved to watch things grow. Helen canned several hundred jars of food a year. They attended the Second Baptist Church at first. Later they joined the First Baptist Church where Bill became a deacon on 25 September 1966. Bill died 22 May 1997 in Du Quoin, Illinois and is buried in the New Concord Cemetery in Rice.

They have two children: Janet Elaine (Hutchings) Amelunke and Janelle Ann (Hutchings) Smith. Both have articles in this book. They have one granddaughter, Rachel Elizabeth Smith. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## HUTCHINGS-RICE

Richard Hutchings ("Dick") was born 4 October 1873 in Rice, Perry County, Illinois to Francis Marion and Rachel (Corr) Hutchings (article in this book). He probably attended Duncan School. Lanora Ann Rice ("Nora") was born 1 May 1888 in Cross District, Perry County, Illinois to Thomas Jefferson and Nancy Romaine (Fulton) Rice (article in this book). She probably attended Cross School.



*Dick and Nora Hutchings.*

Dick and Nora went to St. Louis World's Fair together. They married 3 June 1907. Location is unverified, but a news article said they married in St. Louis. Their homestead was in Rice where they farmed, raised livestock, and had a big orchard.

They also had a sorghum mill where they made the best sorghum molasses. If someone brought the wrong kind of cane, Dick gave them seed to grow sorghum cane so the next year they had the right kind. They pressed the cane and Nora stirred the sap from the front of the pan to the end while Dick kept a big fire going underneath. During the fall, so many people brought cane to their mill that they worked six days a week from early morning to late evening.

They traded at Hunter's Store in Rice. They attended the Old Concord Church in Washington County, Illinois and later the New Concord Church when it moved to Rice.

Three sons, Bill, Nelson, and Donald, served in World War II. Bill and Nelson left the same

day. Donald went in later. Nora had three blue stars in her window. All three came home safely.

While the boys were in the war, Dick died 28 May 1943 in Rice. Nora died 2 August 1954 at her son Bill's house in Pinckneyville. Both are buried in the New Concord Cemetery in Rice along with their children Opal, Bill, Nelson, Allene, Annabelle, and Marion. They had 11 children.

Opal Lenora Hutchings (26 June 1909-20 July 1947) married Orange Judge Campbell. Children (9): Gladys Grace, Clifford, Merle, Elmer Lee, Helen JoAnn, Sharon Kay. Three died in infancy, order of birth unknown: James Leslie, Richard Wayne, and one girl still born.

Bill Clyde Hutchings (30 November 1910-22 May 1997) (article in this book)

Pete Lester Hutchings (17 December 1911-22 October 1979). Buried St. John's Cemetery, Granite City, Illinois. Married Viola Edda Ruffino. Children (3): James Leslie, Clarence Dale ("Bucky"), Bonnie May.

Jessie Lucille Hutchings (4 June 1913-5 April 1992) Buried Oak Grove Cemetery, Pinckneyville. First married John Davis. Children (3): Paul Dwayne, Billie Gerald, Nora Ellene. Jessie married second Orange Judge Campbell. Child: Emerson Pat.

Nelson Pat Hutchings (1 May 1917-2 December 1982) married Dorothy Mae Jones. Children (3): Dennis Nelson, Thomas Ray, Cinda Marie.

Allene Hutchings (6 June 1918-3 November 1970) married Lester E. Grote. Children (3): Norman Dean, Barbara Jean, Edward Dale.

Irene Hutchings (6 June 1918-18 July 1918) twin of Allene. Buried Oak Grove Cemetery.

Donald Hutchings (5 June 1920-17 June 1995) buried Granite City, Illinois. Married Mary Alice Grote. Children (2): Donna Kay, Gary Donald.

Annabelle Hutchings (6 December 1921-8 November 1997) married Eugene M. Gruner. Children (3): Eugenia Ann ("Tootsie"), Ronald Eugene, Diana Lenora.

Marion Thomas Hutchings (27 August 1923-4 or 21 August 1925).

Wanda Mae Hutchings (born 4 April 1928) married Martin Eugene Silbe. Children (2): Marla Sue, Terry Gene *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## HUTCHINGS, THOMAS

Thomas Harvey "Harry" Hutchings was born in Perry County, Illinois near Tamaroa on 19 January 1867. The son of William A. "Hood" (20 April 1833-25 August 1891) and Susan F. (Hutchings-Rice) (22 May 1839-8 December 1880) Hutchings. Living in the Tamaroa area and working most of his life for I.C.C. Railroad. Marrying Margaret Fulton (30 May 1868-4 June 1928) on 14 April 1886 in Perry County, to this union there were 12 children. After the death of his first wife, he married Dollie Ann Knapp Adams (26 January 1890-19 September 1980) on 1 January 1929 in Perry County. To this marriage were born two more children, Doris L. (Woodside) (2 December 1929) and Harry James (12 September 1932). He is buried at Round Prairie Cemetery, along with his first wife Margaret. His second wife Dollie is buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery.

Thomas Hutchings was a direct descendant of both John and William Hutchings. Thomas's father William A.'s parents were William (1808-28 August 1865) and Sarah (1807-June 1851)



Hutchings. William's parents were John (1778-5 November 1843) and Susan Youree (1779-9 November 1843) Hutchings.



Thomas Harvey (Harry) Hutchings.

Thomas's mother, Susan F., was the daughter of Eli J. (18 March 1810-14 August 1866) and Sabra G. Rice (19 November 1814-23 November 1873) Hutchings. Eli J. was the son of William (1776-15 August 1836) Hutchings.

Being of English descent, John and William Hutchings, two brothers, traveled from their homestead near Halifax County, Virginia and Caswell County, North Carolina. After spending some years in Robertson County, Tennessee, in 1816 not being satisfied with the country, the families decided to move on to Missouri. The group consisting of William, his wife (Celia Jones), and six children, John, his wife (Susan Youree), and four children, a Miss Delilah Jones, who later became the wife of John R. Hutchins, three slaves, Landon, and Agis Parks and a young black woman named Dinah. They were given their freedom October 1830.

Because of a sick child, the band stopped at the banks of Beaucoup Creek. On 10 May 1816, the child was buried on a grassy knoll overlooking Beaucoup Creek, which is now called Bowles Bottom and the start of Hutchings Cemetery. The families stayed, for the productive appearance of the surrounding countryside had favorably impressed them.

Through the early years, Hutchings were prominent and useful citizens; they played a large part in the history of Perry County. They helped establish the towns of Pinckneyville and Rice. The connections between Hutchings and Rice families go back further than 180 years, with marriages between the two families. The Hutchings Cemetery is gone now, but John and William Hutchings owe their existence in Perry County, to the child who died 10 May 1816. *Submitted by Ginger Smith and Marie Hutchings*

## IBENDAHL-TOWELL

Calvin F. Ibendahl, a World War II and Korean Veteran, came to Tamaroa, Illinois in March of 1958. He had purchased the Roots/Kimzey farm from Browning and quit SIU, Carbondale, in his senior year to farm. In December of 1958 he traveled to Tuscon, Arizona to marry Jean Ayres Towell, a former classmate at the University of Illinois.

The Ibendahls began an intensive farm operation on the 650 acre farm growing corn, wheat, soybeans and hogs. They became involved in many farm organizations and were active in the Methodist Church in Pinckneyville. They won many honors as they became "agricultural activists" and promoted agriculture. Jean was a founder

of the Ag in the Classroom program and served on the USDA Advisory committee in Washington, D.C. for ten years. She served on trade missions for the USDA and traveled to several foreign countries. Calvin was chosen as one of five U.S. farmers to travel to Russia and both Ibendahls visited China, Japan, Guatemala, Greece, Australia and New Zealand on Agricultural missions.



Jean and Calvin Ibendahl.

After a 27 year absence from school, Calvin returned to Southern Illinois University and received his B.S. degree in Ag Business in 1983. The Ibendahls give scholarships to two women who pursue careers in agriculture every year. The Daughters of American Agriculture scholarships amount to \$500 per year. Jean taught school for 20 years and has a Bachelor's and Master's degree from the University of Illinois.

The Ibendahls are 4-H Club leaders and instill a work ethic and appreciation for agriculture in the members who have won many awards and honors, exemplifying their leaders.

The Ibendahls have maintained their historic home and the pre-Civil War atmosphere where slaves were once hidden as part of the Underground Railroad. They give tours by appointment.

## IFFERT - BEARD

Ruth Veronica Iffert was born 14 December 1928, in Wendelin, Illinois, the second child of Anton "Andy" and Viola (Kuhl) Iffert (see IFFERT-KUHL). When Ruth was 15 years old, her family moved to Du Quoin. On 29 June 1949, she married Norman L. Beard, the son of Henry and Emma Beard of Du Quoin, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin.

Ruth and Norman had four children: Debra Lynn, born 7 April 1954; Kathy Jane, born 8 June 1956; Steven Mark, born 28 January 1958; and Janet Ruth, born 4 February 1963.

Debbie married Gary Furlow, the son of Ray and Becky Furlow of Du Quoin, 3 August 1973, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. They have two children: Margie Nicole, born 27 April 1982, and Scott Andrew, born 28 June 1988. They reside in Highland, Illinois.

Kathy married Kenneth Ray Scaglione 11 October 1975 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. They have three children: Elizabeth Ann, born 20 May 1977; Kenneth Matthew, born 27 April 1979; and Luke Daniel, born 30 November 1984. They reside in Du Quoin.

Steve married Leslie Knaak, the daughter of Earl and Norma Knaak of Centralia, Illinois, 1 December 1984, at the Lutheran church in Centralia. They have two children: Joshua Steven, born 26 August 1987, and Ashley Marie, born 29 March 1990. They reside in Centralia, Illinois.

Janet married Raymond George of Tamaroa, 28 August 1982, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. They have two children: Bryant Scott, born 17 July 1988, and Brandon Michael, born 27 May 1993.

Norman died 4 December 1964, and is buried at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Jayette Bolinski*

## IFFERT-KUHL

Anton "Andy" Iffert was born 12 May 1901, in Wendelin, Clay County, Illinois, the son of John Adam and Veronica C., (Desch) Iffert. In 1930, Andy helped build the Holy Cross Catholic Church in Wendelin, and it was in this church that he married Viola Mary Kuhl on 16 September 1924.

Viola was born in Wendelin on 22 September 1904, the daughter of Frank X. and Elizabeth R. (Schackmann) Kuhl.

The Iffert family moved to Du Quoin in 1944 and lived in the Davisville area east of Du Quoin. Andy was a farmer and was well known throughout Perry County.

Andy and Viola had five children: Herbert Francis, born 13 August 1925; Ruth Veronica, born 14 December 1928; Daniel Anthony, born 11 December 1932; Elizabeth "Betty" Louise, born 11 August 1936; and John Urban born 26 May 1938.

Herb married Rita Ida Schneider from Vergennes on 23 October 1946 (see IFFERT-SCHNEIDER). They had six children: Marian Kay, born 4 September 1947; Patricia Elaine, born 8 January 1951; Caroline Rose, born 18 July 1952; John David, born 16 September 1958; Robert Francis, born 31 May 1961; and Richard Anthony, born 4 September 1963. Ruth married Norman L. Beard 29 June 1949, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin (see IFFERT-BEARD). Ruth and Norman had four children: Debra Lynn, born 7 April 1954; Kathy Jane, born 8 June 1956; Steven Mark, born 28 January 1958; and Janet Ruth, born 4 February 1963. Norman died 4 December 1964 and is buried at Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Du Quoin.

Dan married Carol Bentley of Oklahoma in February 1958. They had six children: Danna Kay, born 1 September 1958; Mark Andrew, born 16 October 1959; Karen Elaine, born 27 October 1960; Keith Allen born 5 January 1962; Suzanne Marie, born 18 March 1963; and Laura Ann, born 17 May 1969.

Betty married Joseph Howard Clough at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin on 21 May 1955. They had five children: Michael Joseph, born 11 June 1956; Thomas Lee, born 30 June 1958; Teresa Marie, born 9 July 1960; William Howard, born 19 September 1962; Leah Ann, born 13 June 1965. Howard died 4 April 1966 and is buried in Murphysboro. Betty later married Howard "Chick" June, and together they had one child: Margaret Suzanne, born 30 September 1972.

John married Mary Ann Williams from Murphysboro on 21 November 1960. They had three children: Kimberly Kay, born 31 August 1961; Kathy Ann, born 22 October 1963; and John Curtis, born 23 November 1967. John Curtis was ordained into the priesthood 7 June 1997 at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin and it was there that he celebrated his first mass on 8 June 1997.

Andy and Viola celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary in 1974 at Haffner Hall, Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. Viola died 27 July



1982 and Andy died 16 September 1986. Both are buried in the Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Jayette Bolinski*

## IFFERT-SCHNEIDER

Herbert Francis Iffert was born 13 August 1925 in Wendelin, Illinois, the oldest child of Anton "Andy" and Viloa M. (Kuhl) Iffert (see IFFERT-KUHL). On 23 October 1946, Herb married Rita Ida Schneider, born 25 February 1925, the daughter of Ben and Catherine (Nehring) Schneider of Vergennes.

Herb worked for many years at the Blue Bell packing house in Du Quoin and later for Peabody Coal Company, Ballwin Mine near Marissa, Illinois.

Herb and Rita made their home on Well Street Road, southwest of Du Quoin, and it was there they raised six children: Marian Kay, born 4 September 1947; Patricia Elaine, born 8 January 1951; Caroline Rose, born 18 July 1952; John David, born 16 September 1958; Robert Francis, born 31 May 1961; and Richard Anthony, born 4 September 1963.

Marian is married to Gary Pollard and they reside in Springfield, Missouri. She has two children: Wayne Edward and Michelle Kay from a previous marriage to Clyde Rowney of Coulterville, Illinois.

Patty married Bob Bolinski 31 January 1970 in Du Quoin (see BOLINSKI-IFFERT) and they have three children: Patricia Jayette, Robert Mathew, and Jacob Jerald.

Caroline has one child, Marion Fulton and they live in Du Quoin.

David is married to Marie George-Fox from Tamaroa. She has two children from a previous marriage.

Rob is married to Pat Matier from Zeigler, and she has two children from a previous marriage.

Rick married Gina Peradotta of Pinckneyville, and they have one child, Eli Jonathon. Rick died 17 December 1990, the result of a car accident near Freeburg, Illinois. He is buried in the Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Du Quoin.

Herb died 19 June 1982 and is buried in the Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Jayette Bolinski*

## IRWIN-ENZENAUER

George Arkell Irwin (born 16 September 1923, died 13 August 1977) son of Scott Orlando Irwin and Martha Linze Semon and Mildred Enzenauer (born 14 March 1926) were married 21 January 1950 at St. Bruno's Catholic Church in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

George was the third son of Scott and Martha Irwin and Mildred, the only child of Theodore Enzenauer (born 30 September 1876, died 7 June 1957) and Mary Bommersheim (born 1 June 1888-, died 6 December 1958), first lived in Randolph County (Baldwin) Illinois and later moving to Perry County (Jamestown) Illinois.

Mildred received education at Perry County schools and then 3 years of nursing school in East St. Louis during the 1940's. Several years of employment at St. Clements Hospital in Red Bud, Illinois and later 23 years of employment at Pinckneyville Community Hospital as an R.N.

George was enlisted in the CCC's and later overseas duty in the Philippines, New Guinea and

Japan during the 1940's. He had served his military time as a munitions handler, cook and baker. After an Honorable discharge in 1946 he became employed as a truck driver for Forest City Garment Company in Pinckneyville. He later took on a short stint in barbering having attended barber school and then finished his career with many years in construction. Poor health forced his retirement in the 70's and death occurred at Jefferson Barracks Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri in the late 1970's and interment was at the St. Bruno's Cemetery in Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*L to R: Mary Enzenauer, Mildred and George Irwin, and Martha Irwin.*

This marriage produced seven children all of which received their early education at St. Bruno's School and then on to Pinckneyville Community High School during the 1970's and 80's. Mildred moved to Seattle, Washington after her retirement from nursing to join family. The children are currently living in southern California, Texas and Colorado. *Submitted by Mildred Irwin*

## JACKSON-BEAL

Bobby Jean Jackson was born 18 September 1932 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Bobby was the son of William Franklin Jackson and Lola Grace (Commean) Jackson. He married Nora Jane Beal 7 July 1956 in Centralia, Marion County, Illinois. Nora is the daughter of Roy Beal and Mary Stormont. Bob and Nora live in Du Quoin, Illinois.

They have a daughter, Jane Ellen Jackson, born 6 May 1959 in Urbana, Illinois. She married Michael A. Klosterman, 7 July 1984 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. They recently moved to Charlotte, North Carolina. No children.

Bob and Nora attend the Du Quoin Baptist Church. Nora is an accomplished organist. Her hobby is sewing. Bob likes to fish and since they have both retired, enjoy living in their cabin during the summer season and traveling to North Carolina to visit Jane and Mike.

Bob served in the Navy after World War II. *Submitted by Twila Mae (Jackson) Nagel.*

## JACKSON-CAMPBELL

Alva Jackson was born 23 October 1893 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He was the son of Lewis and Mary (Heape) Jackson. One of Alva's early lessons in life was when his father caught him smoking. Lewis took Alva by the heels and dunked him up and down in the rain barrel until he thought Alva had learned his lesson. He did not and still hadn't as of 1973. On 5 June 1917 at the age of 23, he registered for the military listing his occupation as a farmer. He entered the army and served in France during World War I. Although never wounded, he did catch the measles while stationed

there. Knowing something about working the fields, he talked to farmers in France about the reason they used a team of horses harnessed in a row, like a dog sled, instead of side by side. After his return from service he worked at the Majestic Coal Mines until his retirement. He was married to Gertrude Viola Campbell on 24 November 1920 in Du Quoin. She was born 12 September 1892 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Her parents were William and Olive Frances (Holmes) Campbell (see Campbell-Holmes biography). Gertrude worked as a bookkeeper for the VanKueren's grocery store. She would also substitute as a teacher for her sister, Ethel, at the Holt's Prairie School. She was a member of the Du Quoin Baptist Church. The women's Sunday School had a Halloween party in which everyone was supposed to dress up in disguise. Gertie dressed in Alva's old World War I uniform and took first prize.



*Alva and Gertrude (Campbell) Jackson.*

Alva and Gertrude lived most of their lives in Perry County. They had five children: Loren Campbell (1923) married Anna French and lives in Pendleton, Indiana. Kenneth June (1927-1988) was a life long Perry County resident and married Eileen Jackson of Sunfield. They had two children: Dennis and Cathy. Irma Mae (1928) still lives in Du Quoin and married to Rudy Michael. They have one son: Rudy Robert. Louis William (1928) married Betty George, has retired from Cummins Engine and lives in Columbus, Indiana. Paul Eugene (1927-1927) died in infancy. Gertrude died in St. Johns 27 December 1936. Alva remarried 28 June 1949 to Dora Talley. They lived in Herrin for a number of years until Dora's death 18 November 1962. Alva moved back to Du Quoin and resided at 12 North Hickory (the present site of Citizens Bank). Alva died in Murphysboro 25 January 1973. Alva and Gertrude are buried at the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Steve Jackson*

## JACKSON-FRENCH

Loren Jackson was born 8 December 1923 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He was the eldest child of Alva and Gertrude (Campbell) Jackson. Mrs. Axley, who lived next door on East Park Street, delivered him into the world because the doctor's horse and buggy had been delayed by a train. Although he weighed only about four pounds at birth the doctor said "lets tell his mother he weighs five pounds." At the age of 13, his mother died. His father, with four children to raise, needed help as he had to work at the mine all day. Loren convinced his father to let him go to live with his Grandpa Jackson on the farm (near present day 9 Mile Cemetery). The rest of the family went to live with Gertrude's mother, Ollie Campbell, at 337 East Franklin Street in Du Quoin. Loren loved



living on the farm with his grandfather. His bed was in the dining room behind the wood burning stove and his closet was a peg where he hung his overalls. Some of his happiest memories as a child were of the times spent at the farm. Loren attended Hardscrabble School where he was given the job as janitor. One of his duties was to arrive at school 30 minutes ahead of all the other kids and stoke the fires in the furnace downstairs so it would be warm by the time everyone arrived. As he walked to school, he would carry a gunny sack to pick up coal that had fallen from boxcars. He would hide his gunny sack in the weeds until after school and repeat the process on the way home at the end of the day.



L to R: Dan, Loren, Anna, Michael and Steve Jackson.

Loren spent his freshman year at Pinckneyville High. He was on the tumbling team and was the first boy ever to earn a letter his first year. During high school he moved back with his father and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1943.

Loren also was a good judge of dairy cows. During regional competitions held at the penal farm in Vandalia he placed first. After advancing to competition in Champaign-Urbana, he took third place in the entire state of Illinois.

Later in 1943 he moved to Indianapolis and stayed with his uncle, Charles Campbell. Charles convinced Loren to learn a trade. He entered watchmaking school at Bradley University in Peoria and became a watchmaker in 1945. Upon completing school he secured a job as a watchmaker at Tiemeier's Jewelry Store in Seymour, Indiana. Although his eyes were fine, he would visit an eye, ear and nose specialist where Anna French was the doctor's assistant.

He was married to Anna Rita French on 23 August 1947 in Seymour, Indiana. She was the daughter of Leo and Clara (Hill) French. Anna was born 2 December 1922 in Seymour, Indiana. Loren and Anna had three children: Stephen, (1949), Daniel (1950) and Michael (1954).

They moved from Seymour in 1964 when Loren bought Lang's Jewelry Store in Pendleton, Indiana. In 1985 he retired from being a jeweler and watchmaker after more than 50 years. Traveling is one of their favorite activities. They have been to all fifty states and many countries. Although they don't travel so much any more, they do visit his sister, Irma and her husband Rudy Michael, in Las Vegas during the winter.

## JACKSON-HEAPE

Lewis Jackson was born 10 April 1867 in VanBuren County, Michigan. His parents were John and Lavise (Kinney) Jackson. With his parents and brothers, they moved to Perry County in 1873.

Lewis married Mary Heape on 27 October 1892 in Perry County, Illinois where they remained the rest of their lives. Mary was born on 31 January 1874 in Tamaroa, Illinois. Her parents were George and Sarah Elizabeth (Benson) Heape (see Heape-Benson biography).



L to R Standing: Alva, Edna Foutch; L to R Sitting: Lewis, George, Mary (Heape) and Leonard.

Lewis and Mary had four children: Alva (1893-1973) married Gertrude Campbell, Leonard (1897-1949), Edna (1901-1997) who married Otto Zoeckler and William Foutch, and George (1906-1995) who married Alburnes Scronce who still lives in Du Quoin.

Lewis, for a short time worked at the mine. He made \$1 per day and was probably glad to get that. Mining didn't suit him so he spent the rest of his life farming. Lewis also raised peaches and watermelons. One season he had an entire load of peaches, already boxed and waiting for the truck to arrive the next day, stolen. When his watermelons ripened he camped out in the patch with his dog and shotgun. The watermelons got to market. Lewis and Mary also had an egg and butter route where they made deliveries every Saturday. They would load up the '34 Chevy and make the rounds of all their regular customers. Sometimes they would sell to the local grocery store. Mary's cold cellar had thick heavy door at the entrance to a 6 x 6 area about three foot in the ground. No one but Mary was allowed inside the cellar.

Lewis owned a Overland automobile. Every winter before the weather got bad he would park the car in the barn, jack the car up and hang the wheel from the walls wrapped in newspaper. Lewis' family attended the Little Vine Christian Church. The family would dress in their Sunday clothes, which was to be used only for attending church services. Although another church was closer to the homestead, Lewis would go the extra distance to attend Little Vine. When the minister could not make it for Sunday services Lewis would lead the congregation in song. Mary had a sister, Lillie (1887-1986). Although there was almost 13 years difference in their ages, they looked like identical twins in later life. Mary had long white hair that reached to her waist.

Lewis died in Du Quoin 24 February 1938. Mary died in Du Quoin 31 October 1943. They are buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin.

## JACKSON-HILL

Andrew Jackson, born 21 August 1842 in Tennessee; died 28 March 1932 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and buried in IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois. Andrew, it is believed, was the son of Robert Jackson. Andrew married (1)

Unknown, (2) Sarah Elizabeth Hill, 21 February 1875 in Perry County, Illinois, and (3) Mary Ann (Purcell) Smith, daughter of Richard and Katie Purcell. Sarah Elizabeth Hill, born April 1854 in Tennessee; died about 1928 in Du Quoin, Perry county, Illinois. Sarah, it is believed, was the daughter of James W. Hill and Aley P. Nickens. Sarah Elizabeth Hill was believed to be of Cherokee Indian Descent. Mary Ann Purcell lived in Davisville, Illinois in her youth. She had four children before marrying Andrew Jackson. Mary Ann was born in Cincinnati, Ohio 8 July 1846.

Andrew Jackson and Sarah E. lived at 729 South Wells in Du Quoin, Illinois in 1900. From the 1900 Census of Illinois, Andrew's and Sarah's parents were born in Tennessee. Sarah had 11 children and 9 were living in 1900. All of their children lived in the Du Quoin area with the possible exception of Edward. Andrew was a Rail Road Flagman. Andrew may have lived in Tamaroa, Illinois for some time. Du Quoin Call in the March 1932 newspaper stated Andrew died when he was hit by a car. And survived by wife, 7 children and 4 step children: William Foster, Mrs. Margaret Thompson, Mrs. Pearl Jackson, Mrs. Isabel Scarber.

Children of Andrew Jackson and Sarah Hill are: 1) John J. or H. Jackson, born 16 February 1880 in Illinois; married Myrtle. John Jackson may have lived in Benton, Illinois; 2) George W. Jackson, born 9 February 1883; died 2 March 1936 in Du Quoin, Illinois and buried in IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois; married Margaret Cook Thompson; 3) Harry Jackson, born 17 February 1884 in Illinois; died 11 May 1928 in Du Quoin, Illinois and buried in IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin; married Pearl Foster; 4) Walter Jackson, born 2 March 1888 in Illinois; died 4 May 1929 in Du Quoin, Illinois; married Emma Bush. Walter was deaf, and he was killed by a train as he walked along the track; 5) Pearl "Perlie" May Jackson, born 11 November 1889 in Illinois; died 5 October 1950 and buried in Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery; married William "Bill" Caleb Foster; 6) Myrtle Ada Jackson, born 26 November 1889 in Illinois; died 10 November 1938 and buried in Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery; married Carl Sweitzer. Myrtle Ada Jackson lived in St. Johns, Illinois; 7) Laura Della "Dellie" Jackson, born 11 November 1892 in Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois; married Grover Cleveland Dasher; 8) Leonard S. "Babe" Jackson, born 23 May 1895 in Tamaroa, Illinois; died 23 April 1958 in Du Quoin, Illinois and buried in Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery; married [1] Myrtle Pyles; married [2] Pearl Grace Meek. Babe lived with Elmer and Fay Fred until his death; and 9) Edward "Eddie" Jackson, born December 1895 in Illinois. Edward may have lived in Coulterville or Vergennes, Illinois. Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean

## JACKSON-KINNEY

John Jackson was born 6 July 1830 in Eaton, Leicestershire, England. He was the son of Richard and Elizabeth (Mills) Jackson. His father, Richard, was born 8 May 1796 in Buckminster, Leicestershire, England. Richard died 1 July 1858. John's mother, Elizabeth, was born in 1803 and died 12 August 1869.

John's grandparents were also Richard Jackson (1754-8 April 1840) and Dorothy (Bayley) Jackson (1765-5 January 1818). They were married on 25 November 1787 in Goadby Marwood,



Leicestershire, England. John's parents and grandparents are buried in the St. Denny's Church of England cemetery in Eaton, Leicestershire, England. John was married to Lavisa Kinney (?King). She was born March 1832 in Ohio, the daughter of Nathan Kinney (?King) who was born in Pennsylvania.

After coming to America, John settled in VanBuren County, Michigan where he worked in a lumber yard. In 1876 he moved his family to Perry County, Illinois probably to be closer to family. His brother, William Jackson, was well established in the community. Much has been written about William as he was very prosperous in the Du Quoin area.

John and Livisa had four children: Frank H. (1858-1921) married Nancy Johnson, Fred (1865-1915) married Martha Davis, Lewis (1868-1938) married Mary Heape (see Jackson-Heape biography) and a daughter that died while still in Michigan.

John died 2 September 1884 in Perry County. Lavisa was remarried to John Rodgers on 11 April 1885. The date of her death and other records remain unknown to date.

John is buried at the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin and has a masonic emblem on the top of his headstone. Not much is found on the life of John. In the 4 September 1884 Du Quoin Tribune, there is a notation that "Mr. John Jackson, brother of William Jackson, of No. 2 died at his residence a short distance north of St. Johns, last Saturday evening. *Submitted by Steve Jackson*

## JANINI

John and Margarita (Basolo) Janini came from Italy to America, eventually settling in Du Quoin to raise their children. John was born in 1861 and passed away in 1947. Margaret was born in 1869 and passed away in 1936. John and Margaret are buried in Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Du Quoin.



*Margarita and John Janini.*

To this union were born: James (Jock), John, Dominic (Nick), Margaret (Maggie), and Mary.

Jock passed away on 13 August 1972 in Du Quoin and was married to Julia Obertini. Children were: Margaret (who passed away in infancy), Mary Catherine, and Bernice.

John passed away on 1 August 1972 in Collinsville and was married to Dominica Allabastro. Child born was: John.

Nick passed away 26 June 1975 in Van Nuys, California and was married to Ernestine. Children were: John, Ned and Margaret.

Maggie passed away on 21 March 1995 in Collinsville. She was first married to Fiorio. Child

born was: John who was killed in W.W.II Maggie then married Mark Rossio. They did not have any children.

Mary passed away in 1992 in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and was married to Adolph Potier. Children were: Adolph John and Janette. *Submitted by Mary C. Keene*

## FERN MAXINE SHAW JAUSEL

Fern Maxine Shaw Jausel was born 30 June 1920, a daughter of Thomas Emerson and Nellie Mae Hood Shaw of Cutler, Lost Prairie, Perry County, Illinois east of Galum Creek.

Her paternal great grandparents were: Thomas and Martha McLaughlin Shaw of rural Cutler. Her maternal great grandparents were: John M and Mary (Polly) Kennedy Mc Clinton of rural Sparta. Paternal grandparents were: Renwick O. and Margaret Parkhill Shaw. Maternal grandparents were: James Wilson and Millie Verganetta Mc Clinton Hood of rural Cutler, Randolph County.

Emerson Shaw was a farmer and elder in the Swanwick United Presbyterian Church. Nellie Shaw was a teacher before her marriage 24 December 1912, in the home her parents. She was also a Sunday School Teacher for many years. The Shaws had five children: Horace Lester, Ethel Lucille, Frances Rodney, Fern Maxine and Gerald Wilmer. Lucille and Rodney died young. Horace Lester married Helen Elizabeth Robb. They had two daughters: Delores Fay and Kathryn Lorene.

Delores Fay married John Wyman Steward and they had five children: Kenneth Allen, Karen Fay, Scott Warren, Stephen Paul and Susan Marie. Kenneth Allen married Cherry Carr and they have two children: Josh, 14 and Lydia, 11.

Karen Fay married Brian Sutton and they have three children: Andy, 11, Emily, 10, and Rachel, 2. Scott Warren married Lorie and they have Michelle, 6. Stephen Paul married Shannon and they have Sarah, 2. Susan Marie works in Taylors, South Carolina.

Kathryn Lorene married Freddie Higgerson and they have three children: Michael, Christopher and Kellie. Michael Lane married and they have one child. Christopher married Heather Ramsey, divorced; two sons Daniel and Christopher. Kellie is working at Steeleville.

Fern Maxine married Robert Earl Phillips, two daughters: Sharen Kae and Donna Ilene. Sharen Kae married Donnell Dotson Wilson and they had five children, divorced. Mickie Joe, Vickie Lynn, Deanna Jean, Nickie Brian, and Karen Margo. Mickie Joe is still single and works for Flatirons in California. Vickie Lynn married Robert Schlitz. Deanna Jean married Charles Johnson, two sons: Christopher Michael and Adam Wayne. Christopher Michael is 21 and is at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. Adam Wayne 19 is in high school. Nickie Brian married Kim Tofaya and divorced. He then married, Dana and divorced.

Karen Margo married Kip Mc Coy; three daughters: Megan Sylvia, 8; Cierra Kae, 6; and Miranda Shirley, 4. Sharen Kae married Steve Kelling and he has four children: Linda, Steve, and twins, Terry and Jerry.

Donna Ilene married Wayne Edgar Snodgrass, two children: divorced; Cynthia Kay and Christine Lynn. Cynthia Kay married Jeff Kretzer divorced; twin sons: Brandon Wayne and Kyle Wade, died shortly after birth. Cynthia Kay

married Jarrod Charles Noll, two sons: Jordan Lee, 5; and Mitchell Scott, 4.

Christine Lynn married Christopher Ray Rose, divorced. One son: Christopher Andrew, 8. Christine Lynn married Cliff Robert Schuette, one son: Evan Chandler born 26 December 1997.

Fern Maxine married Walter Frances Cunningham. He died in '64. Fern Maxine married Berthel Absolom Bowers. He died in '70. Fern Maxine married William August Jausel. He died in '87.

Gerald Wilmer married Ruth Evelyn Ervin. Gerald died in '81, one son: Roger Gerald, married Raven Suzanne Davis, one son: Nicholas Conrad born 18 December 1997. Some one to carry on the Shaw name. *Submitted by Maxine Jausel*

## FRIEDRICH JAUSEL

He was born 17 September 1835 in Alsace Lorraine (per his death certificate) along the German-French border. This conflicts with a census which lists his birthplace as Bavaria. He moved to the United States for a better life and lived in St. Louis which was a hot bed of civil war activity. Like many Germans in the area, he enlisted in the federal army on 1 August 1861 and served in Company A of the 1<sup>st</sup> Regiment Missouri Volunteer cavalry at Jefferson Barracks. In the spring of 1862, he had rheumatism and developed heart disease forcing him to be confined to the post for about 6 weeks. On 11 July 1862 Friedrich's unit under the command of Captain William A. Martin chased Quantrill's guerrillas to a defensive position in some rocky cliffs near Kansas City. Quantrill gained reinforcements from Matthew Houx and Colonel Upton Hayes' command. It took seven charges at rebels before they were routed from the cliffs. Friedrich was wounded in his left hand from the bursting of his Colt revolving carbine. These Colt carbines were similar to a pistol revolver except with a rifle stock and long barrel. As with the cap and ball pistols, they sometimes were inclined to chain fire, causing several cylinders to go off at once. He was also wounded in the right hand by enemy fire which fractured the bone in his thumb. After the Battle of Big Creek Cliffs, not much is known about the rest of his civil war service except that he continued to complete his full three year enlistment despite the permanent disability from these wounds.

After the war, he lived in St. Louis where he married Anna Elisabeth Bornscheuer in 1869. To the couple were born five children: Fred Jr., Lena (17 February 1872), August (21 November 1873), Gustaf Adolph (26 July 1877) and Henry (25 March 1881). Friedrich worked as a stonemason but continued to have problems with his right hand from the civil war injuries and was able to get his disability pension increased. In 1897, he purchased 325 acres in Perry County near Swanwick. The farm was handed down to the current generations. Friedrich died 10 October 1902 and Anna just 13 days later. Both are buried at Swanwick Cemetery. *Submitted by Marshall Porter, a great, great grandson.*

## JANSEN-HAMMEL

Louisa K. Hammel born 27 March 1876 at Du Quoin the 9<sup>th</sup> child of John and Mary (Schwarz) Hammel was married 5 November 1895 at Waterloo, Illinois to Benjamin J. Jansen born 17 Sep-



tember 1873 at Waterloo a son of Ben and Kathryn Jansen. Benjamin and Louisa had 3 children: John B., Clara, and Elizabeth "Ella." Louisa died 16 February 1944 at St. Louis, Missouri and Benjamin died 3 September 1951 at St. Louis. Both are buried in the SS Peter and Paul Cemetery, Waterloo, Illinois. (see HAMMEL-SCHWARZ)

John born 17 January 1897 at Waterloo, Illinois was married 9 April 1919 at Waterloo, Illinois to Stella Schroeder born 10 September 1899 at Waterloo, a daughter of Jacob and Lena (Slenmer) Schroeder. They had 1 daughter, Florence. John B. died 8 January 1941 at St. Louis and is buried in National Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri.

Florence born 24 April 1921 at Waterloo was married 25 April 1942 at St. Louis, Missouri to Joseph Zimmerman born 22 January 1919 at St. Louis, Missouri, a son of Joseph and Theresa Zimmerman, Sr. They had 2 children: Judy born 15 June 1945; and Raymond born 3 December 1948 at St. Louis.

Clara was born 10 April 1900 at St. Louis and died in 1906 at St. Louis. She is buried at Waterloo, Illinois.

"Ella" born 3 December 1902 at St. Louis was married 3 May 1922 at St. Louis to George L. Etling born 23 June 1900 at St. Louis a son of Louis and Millie (Graff) Etling. They had 3 children: Alvera, Myrtle, and Raymond.

Alvera born 8 December 1924 at St. Louis married 1 May 1943 at St. Louis to John N. Traxler born 18 November 1918 in Ohio, a son of Newton and Lutie Traxler. They have 3 children: Douglas born 19 August 1947; Carol born 19 December 1949 both at St. Louis and Nancy born 16 September 1957 at Indianapolis, Indiana.

Myrtle born 24 February 1927 was married 3 May 1947 at St. Louis to Paul Mignerone born 10 September 1926 at St. Louis a son of Paul and Millie (Gander) Mignerone. They had 3 children: Donald born 15 December 1949; Dennis born 19 August 1952; and Dale born 2 March 1958 all in St. Louis, Missouri.

Raymond born 15 March 1935 at St. Louis, Missouri was married 25 September 1954 at St. Louis. Missouri to Betty Neuman born 26 June 1935 at St. Louis, Missouri, a daughter of Robert and Elzene (Homsey) Neuman. They have 4 children: Gregory born 29 June 1955; Sandra born 24 November 1956; Michelle born 25 September 1959; and Kenneth born 13 August 1961 all at St. Louis, Missouri. Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt

## JOHNSON

Miles M. Johnson was born 21 March 1817 in Ohio as was his wife, Hannah Bennett Johnson on 1 June 1814. They were married 9 May 1837 in Vigo County, Indiana. He died 3 February 1883 and she 15 July 1898. They are both buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin. In 1850 and 1860 they were living in Will County, Illinois, first in the town of Crete and then Monee. He was first a farmer and then a merchant. He delivered mail for \$15 a year. Their children were Benjamin Harrison, James M. Charity Ann, and Winfield Scott all born in Illinois.

Benjamin was born in 1841 and mentioned in his mother's will of 1896.

James M. Johnson was born in 1843. He married Mrs. Sarah A. Wagner Dunaway. He served in the Civil War Co. G, 100 Regiment from

Will County, enlisting 9 August 1862 and mustered out 12 June 1865. He and his parents and siblings were in Perry County in 1865 with the exception of Ben. He became a prominent citizen of Carbondale. He was in the lumber business in 1870 and served as alderman, Sheriff and was Mayor in 1894.



L to R: Miles M. Johnson, Winfield Scott Johnson, Hannah Bennett Johnson, James M. Johnson, Charity Ann Johnson, and Benjamin Harrison Johnson.

Charity Ann born 22 January 1847, died 21 July 1901. She married James H. Harvey 24 June 1868. In 1870, he was a lumber salesman in Jackson County. In 1898 they were living on East Park Street in Du Quoin.

Winfield Scott Johnson was born 14 July 1851 in Kankakee, Illinois. His first wife was Mary "Molly" Wagner, daughter of Abram Wagner. They married 5 April 1870. They had two girls. Minnie E. was born in 1870 and died in 1871 and Lilla Ethel born 27 December 1885. Lilla married Dr. Thomas Reagin a local Du Quoin dentist on 27 December 1907. They had one daughter named Helen. Helen married Thomas A. Reid.

Winfield Scott's second wife was Mary Belle Philips, born 23 January 1871, daughter of Granville C. Philips, first mayor of Carterville in 1892 and Mary Pamela Howard. Scott was a local merchant. He died 11 December 1925 and is buried in Du Quoin. Mary Belle had two dress shops on Main Street in Du Quoin at different times. She was a milliner and did hemstitching. She died 6 July 1954 in National City, California.

Scott and Mary had only one child, William Earl Johnson born 1 July 1891 in Du Quoin. Earl married Ruth Mae Terry, daughter of Monroe and Maggie Mae Franklin Terry 23 August 1923 in Belleville, Illinois. He died 17 June 1960 in San Diego, California. He was at one time a mailman, drove a taxi, delivered milk by wagon, was a ticket taker on a train that ran from Los Angeles to Long Beach, California, was a representative for Texaco in Du Quoin for 27 years. He had a bulk plant and a garage (where Taco John's is now) and a service station on South Washington Street and another on North Hickory. Ruth worked for the telephone company in Du Quoin. She was an operator, kept the books and sent the bills. She died 19 September 1991 in El Cajon, California and is buried next to Earl in San Diego.

Earl and Ruth had two daughters both of whom are now living in Sunfield and north of Sunfield, Doris Earline Johnson Bridewell Martin and Reba Maxine Johnson Salas Gale.

## JONES

Marilyn Judy (Kujawa) Reeder Jones was born in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois on

22 May 1943 the daughter of Sylvester and Thelma (Slusher) Kujawa.

After the death of Marilyn's husband, Cecil Reeder, Marilyn was married a second time to Hubert Lee Jones of Pinckneyville, formerly of Cape Girardeau, Missouri on 30 November 1970. Hubert was the son of Raymone M. and Nellie S. (Clark) Jones both from Cape Girardeau, Missouri. Marilyn and Hubert had one son Gregory Alan born 5 September 1977. He was born in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois.



Marilyn, Hubert and Gregory Jones.

Marilyn was an active member of Oak Grove Baptist Church north of Pinckneyville and became church pianist at the age of 16. She has played the piano for many years for revivals, weddings, funerals as well as regular church services. She has been Sunday School teacher, taught in bible school and was choir director. Marilyn has been active in helping with girl scouts and boy scouts. She has worked at Lake Salateeska, north of Pinckneyville and was secretary after graduating high school of the Perry County Extension Service in Pinckneyville. She worked at the Pizza Pit in Pinckneyville and Perry Manor Nursing Home in Pinckneyville and then for Five Star industries in Du Quoin and for Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity and Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity as a cook at SIU in Carbondale. Her husband, Hubert, worked for Martin Oil Company, MCA Distributing Record Company east of Pinckneyville and for Rhodes Burford Furniture Company in Pinckneyville. (see KUJAWA-REEDER)

## MATTHEW JONES

Matthew Jones was born 1 August 1774, Pendleton Dist. South Carolina, son of Matthew Jones and Mary Hill. He married 1 December 1796, Union County, South Carolina, Rachel Gallegly, born 19 November 1779, Carlisle, Cumberland, Pennsylvania, daughter of William Gallegly and Hannah Garner.

Matthew and Rachel moved to Bedford County, Tennessee about 1810. Matthew served in the War of 1812, in the 4<sup>th</sup> Regiment, West Tennessee Militia, from January to May 1814 and fought in the Creek Indian War. As a result of this service, he received a warrant for 40 acres of land in Illinois.

Matthew and Rachel moved to Perry County, Illinois in 1829, along with his brothers, Thomas and Laban. They settled in Paradise Precinct and were original members of the Nine Mile Baptist Church. In 1833 they were among a group of members who because of their deeply held beliefs in the doctrine of election (predestination), withdrew under the leadership of John S. Haggard, and formed what became the Holts Prairie Church of



Regular Baptists. In 1843, Matthew and Rachel sold this congregation about an acre of land for \$1.17 to be used for a church building and cemetery—now known as the Haggard or Pick Cemetery.

Matthew was the Perry County Coroner from 1832 to 1834 and the Perry County Sheriff from 1836 to August 1840. A note written in their bible reads, "February 1, 1853, Matthew and Rachel Jones had 13 children, 100 grandchildren and 91 great grandchildren on this date." He died 13 February 1855, Perry County and Rachel died by February 1865. They are probably buried in the Haggard Cemetery. Their Children: 1. James Jones born 1 November 1797, Laurens County, South Carolina; married Francis (Haggard?). They had 11 children. 2. William Jones, born 9 November 1799, Laurens County; married Nancy Kelley. They had eight children. 3. Laban Gallegly Jones, born 7 November 1801, Laurens County; married Sarah Harriss. He fought in the Mexican War and was Perry County Judge from 1853 to 1856. They had 12 children. 4. Hannah Jones, born 28 June 1803, Laurens County, died 1812 Laurens County. 5. Araminta Jones, born 12 May 1805, Laurens County; married (1) Robert C. Keller; married (2) Valentine Boss. Robert and Araminta had 10 children and 1,438 known descendants in 1997. 6. Permelia Jones, born 25 April 1807, of Laurens County; married West Eaton. They had 7 children. 7. Elizabeth Culbertson Jones, born 22 July 1810, Bedford County, Tennessee; married Reuben Kelley, Jr. They had 10 children. 8. Leusinda Jones born 23 November 1811, of Bedford County; married John Meadows Haggard. They had 14 children. 9. Rhoda Mary Jones, born 11 December 1813, Bedford County. 10. Pendleton Worthy Jones, born 16 February 1815, of Bedford County; married Rachel Keith. Pendleton was a Baptist minister and built his own church in Allendale, Missouri. They had 4 children. 11. Mary Ann "Polly" Jones born 15 June 1817, of Bedford County; married William Neel. They had 7 children. 12. Bartley Hopwood Jones, born 12 November 1819, of Bedford, County; married (1) Elizabeth Ann Ragland; married (2) Sarah Pinnah Ford. Bartley and Elizabeth had 9 children; Bartley and Sarah had 2 children. 13. Rachel M. Jones born 12 November 1823, of Bedford County; married (1) William H. Anderson (2) John A. Wood. Rachel and John had 2 children by 1850. Submitted by Pat Simiskey

## DAVID MICHAEL JUHL

David Michael Juhl was born 1 June 1972 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Dave the youngest of five children of Marvin Lee Juhl (born 31 August 1932 in New Holland, Illinois) and Josephine Elizabeth (Snyder) Juhl (born 12 October 1933 in Mason City, Illinois). Dave has three brothers: Robert Lee (born 20 January 1952), James Wendell (born 7 May 1953) and Joseph Gale (14 April 1954) and one sister Brenda Sue (born 10 August 1957). All of Dave's siblings were born in Springfield, Illinois.

Dave's maternal grandparents are Pete Snyder (August 1910-July 1990) and Catherine (Dabbs) Brent (4 1919). His paternal grandparents were Albert Juhl (1894-1943) and Margaret (Krusemark) Juhl (1897-1982).

Dave attended grade and high school in Du Quoin graduating with the class of 1990. He was active in band, chorus, and golf. He attended John

A. Logan College in Carterville graduating with the A.A. in 1992 and Southern Illinois University in Carbondale graduating with the B.A. in Radio-Television in 1994.

Dave is employed by WDQN AM/FM Radio in Du Quoin where he has worked since 1989. Dave is known as "The Morning Mayor" as the host of the "All-New Morning Show" weekday mornings. He also is music director and resident "jack-of-all-trades." Dave is a member of Bethel Lutheran Church of Du Quoin serving on the Church Council and Church Choir. He is also President of AAL Branch 7793 at Bethel

Dave's hobbies include reading, music, golf, and collecting Lutheran artifacts in German and English such as bibles, hymnals and catechisms.

## KABAT

John Kabat as a journeyman came to the Milwaukee, Wisconsin area from Poland. Nothing is known about the Kabats who stayed in the Milwaukee area. What is known is that Andrew and John, Jr. migrated to southern Illinois during the late 1830's or 1840's for the Illinois Homestead Act.



Nick and Anna Kabat.

The two brothers ended up near the Perry and Jefferson county line. Andrew settled in Perry County in Section 12 of 4-1 district. This is also 1 1/2 miles south of Washington County. The Scheller mail carrier of Jefferson County with the Du Bois carrier also delivers mail in the northeast part of Perry County. This creates a lot of confusion to what county people belong in.

Jon Kabat, Jr. ended up in Jefferson County where he started his new family and life. Most of his children stayed in the area.

Andrew Kabat married Agnes Godsyk. To this union eight children were born: Stanley (called Sam), Frank, John, Joe, Jane, Mary, Julia, and Cathern. Sam was the only one to stay in the area. He married Josephine Witowski and also settled down in Section 12 of Perry County next to his parents. To this marriage were born 4 children: Celia, Roman J., Frank, and Ignatius, (known as Nick) 1906-1989. One of Nick's earlier jobs was to work on building Route 51 near Du Bois. Nick was called a mule skinner. He took care of the mules as well as pulled little carts with rock and sand from the rail site in Du Bois out to the construction site. Other people loaded and unloaded the little carts that were pulled on little tracks.

In 1931, Nick, married Anna Skorczewski. Anna was a granddaughter of Martin Skorczewski who was one of the main contracting engineers of the covered bridge over the St. Mary's River near Chester. He was also involved building other buildings near Chester. They originally settled

near Chester, but his children did not take up carpentry, so they later moved up north of Tamaroa on a farm.

To Nick and Anna Kabat's marriage they raised 5 children: Paul, Carl, Leonard, (1934 - 1989), Robert (Bob), and Mary Ann.

Paul and Carl both became Missionary Priests and spent 3 years in the Philippines doing missionary work. Then a tour of 3 years in Brazil. On his second tour in Brazil, some official decided he didn't want him there and set him up to get rid of him in the country. Both priests were very active in nuclear disarmament and nuclear power.

In 1955 Leonard married Lorene Kiselewski of the Scheller - Sesser area. They bought a farm east of Du Bois in Washington County where they raised seven children. In 1989 at the age of 55, Leonard died due to a truck wreck in Chester.

In 1972, Mary Ann married Richard W. Radake. They bought a farm east of Tamaroa which is in 4-1 District of Perry County. They have four children. Submitted by Robert J. (Bob) Kabat

## KABAT-TOMASZEWSKI

Robert J. (Bob) Kabat married Shirley Tomaszewski of the Radom area in 1959. Bob was born in Chester in 1936, while Shirley was born east of Radom in the Du Bois District in Washington County. She lived here until she married Bob. After moving from Granite City back to Section 1 of 4-1 District in 1942, basically lived in Perry County, besides for time in the Army.



Shirley and Robert J. (Bob) Kabat.

Eight children were born to this marriage: Paulette, Margaret, Robert A., Lawrence, Gary, Kenneth, Thomas, and Monica. The first seven children graduated from Tamaroa Community High School. The Tamaroa High School then closed and Monica graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School. Bob also graduated in 1955 from Tamaroa Community High School

All eight children have a college degree of some sort. Most of them have an associate degree of some sort.

Bob and Shirley have lived all their married life in one place. It's the Nick Boczek farm two miles south of Du Bois in section 10 of 4-1 of Perry County. The area is part of Du Bois rural route which is from Washington County.

Bob has worked almost all of his life in Perry County, first at Perry Metals by Pinckneyville, then Taylor Brothers in Tamaroa, then Central Shop for Consolidation. In 1979, he transferred to Burning Star #2. In the last part of 1985 Bob and many more got laid off. During these next nine years, Bob



worked for Boyd Brothers for 4 years and also worked for Howard Heumann for some four years.

In July of 1994, Bob was lucky enough to be called off the panel to Burning Star #4. He worked from July to November when he had a second heart attack. He wasn't released to go back to work when, in June of 1995, he had his third heart attack. The doctors would not release him to go back to work, so Bob had to retire at age 59.

Since Andrew Kabat settled in the north east part of Perry County in the late 1830's or 1840's, there has been a Kabat living in this corner. Right now Bob is the only one living in 4-1 District. But Bob and Shirley have four children living in Perry County, most of them in the Du Quoin area. Submitted by Robert J. (Bob) Kabat

## KEELING-KING

Elisha Gaines Keeling was born 21 December 1837 in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois and died 30 June 1934 in Du Quoin, Illinois and is buried in the Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Elisha was the son of Leonard L. and Deborah (Perkins) Keeling. Elisha married (1) Elizabeth Laurretta King, 2 December 1858, daughter of Joshua King and Polly Brooks. Elizabeth was born in 1842 and died 17 June 1895 and is buried in the Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Elisha married (2) Martha Canzada King, 21 November 1895 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Joshua King and Polly Brooks. Martha Canzada King was born 14 May 1843 in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois; died 8 March 1936 and buried in Paradise Prairie (White Church) Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Martha Canzada King first married Levi Ernest Commean and after his death, Martha married Elisha Keeling.



Elisha Gaines Keeling and Martha Canzada (King) (Commean) Keeling.

Children of Elizabeth King and Elisha Keeling are: 1) Mary Canzada Keeling born 1860 in Illinois. She married [1] Harrison B. Whitlock 26 February 1882 in Perry County, Illinois and [2] William Kirkpatrick; 2) Leonard Logan Keeling, born 4 December 1861; died 1 December 1952 in Franklin County, Illinois and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. He married Martha Elizabeth in 1888; 3) Clara "Ida" N born 1869 in Illinois, married George Gregory and moved to California; and 4) Edley Gaines Keeling, born 5 March 1883 in Illinois; died 28 April 1978 and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Edley married Cora May Mankin from Washington County, Illinois. Elisha and Elizabeth had a total of nine children, but five died in infancy.

Elisha was a Civil War Veteran and served in Company A, 81<sup>st</sup>, Illinois Infantry.

Elisha and Martha lived on his father's old home place until 1910 when they moved to 309 North Line Street in Du Quoin, Illinois. On Martha Canzada King's death certificate, her full name was Martha Canzada King Keeling. Martha lived at 309 North Line Street in Du Quoin, Illinois. More details regarding Elisha's life can be found in the Du Quoin Evening Call, 14 November 1933. Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean

## KEELING-PERKINS

Leonard L. Keeling was born 1795 in North Carolina and died 14 January 1852, son of Thomas and Sarah Keeling. Leonard married Deborah Perkins on 2 January 1835. Deborah was born about 1803 in Tennessee.

Leonard Keeling came to Perry County, Illinois by waterway in a canoe since they did not have any horses in those days. Sometimes they would catch a boat and tie onto it and go from one town to another until they reached Perry County.

Children of Leonard Keeling and Deborah Perkins are 1) Malissa King, born 1836 in Illinois who married Mathew S. B. Jones in 1857; 2) Elisha Gaines Keeling born 1837 in Illinois; died 30 June 1934 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Elisha Gaines Keeling married [1] Elizabeth Laurretta King 2 December 1858, and [2] Martha Canzada (King) Commean on 21 November 1895 in Perry County, Illinois; 3) James Keeling born in 1841 in Illinois; 4) Charity Keeling, born 1943 in Illinois.

Thomas Keeling was born about 1773 in Virginia. He married Sarah, who died about 1845 to 1850. It is believed their children were: Leonard L. Keeling born 1795 in North Carolina who married Deborah Perkins in 1835; Nancy N Keeling born 1808 in North Carolina who married John F. Griffith in 1843; William E. Keeling born 1814 in Tennessee, who married Elizabeth Hull in 1833; Elizabeth Keeling born in 1816 in Tennessee, who married Caleb Throop in 1841, and Larkin F. Keeling born in 1818. Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean

## KEENE-JOHANNES

Sharon Lynelle Keene was born 5 March 1964 at Marshall Browning Hospital, Du Quoin arriving four minutes after her twin sister, Karen Michelle. The daughter of Loren James Keene (27 November 1915 - 23 August 1978) and Nellie Marjorie (Queen) Keene (30 August 1924), Sharon grew up in Pinckneyville at 401 North Beaucoup Street with her twin sister, Karen. Michelle, who married Steven Joseph Malinski 5 October 1991 and older sister Linda Diane (16 August 1952) who married Stephen Lamont Miller 9 September 1972. All three sisters were married in Pinckneyville First Baptist Church where they are members. Sharon has one niece, Stephanie Lynn Miller (28 January 1981). Sharon's father died 23 August 1978 in Pinckneyville Community Hospital. He had been ill for several years. He is buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery.

Sharon's maternal grandparents were William Thomas Queen (25 June 1902 - 15 October 1947) and Nellie Mae (Morgenthaler) Queen King (12 January 1905 - 28 April 1993). Her paternal grandparents were Benjamin Franklin Keene (1871-1953) and Mary Louise "Molly" (Baker) Keene (1880-1957).

Sharon attended Pinckneyville Grade and Junior High Schools and graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1982.

She attended Rend Lake College at night during the second semester of her Senior year of High School. She then transferred to Southeastern Illinois College in August 1982. She graduated from Southeastern in May 1984, with associate in applied science degrees in business management and accounting. These two years, Sharon and Karen shared a trailer at 20 North Capitol Street #7 in Harrisburg, Illinois. They share many happy memories of their college days.



Gary and Sharon Johannes.

July 16, 1984, Sharon began working for the City of Pinckneyville as Mayor's secretary and Utility Clerk. She was hired by Mayor William J. Cunningham and has worked for the city during the administrations of Joseph M. Holder and Kirwan Heisner. In September 1993, Sharon accepted the position of Utility Department Office Manager and transferred from City Hall to the Water Treatment Plant Facility. Today, she still holds this position. She has also been employed by Johannes Trucking since she married the company's owner, Gary Johannes, in 1992.

Sharon enjoys music, dancing, reading, her pets cooking and traveling.

Gary Richard Johannes was born 29 September 1959 at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin. He is the second child of Herbert Junior Johannes (25 August 1929) and Velma Mae (Kurtz) Johannes (30 December 1936). Gary has two sisters: Wanda Sue (Johannes) Davis Flatt (18 August 1957) and Norma Jean Johannes (30 November 1965). Gary has one nephew Christopher Jason Davis (25 September 1976). He also has one niece, Casey Rene' Davis (4 January 1980). Gary is a member of St. Mark's United Church of Christ in Du Bois, Illinois.

Gary's maternal grandparents were Casper Kurtz (22 November 1891 - 8 July 1956) and Mada (Bauer) Kurtz (2 April 1905 - 22 January 1963). His paternal grandparents were August Peter Johannes (5 May 1895 - 8 April 1972) and Bertha Louise (Mill) Johannes (18 September 1900 - 16 May 1975).

Gary grew up on a farm northeast of Posen in Washington County. Gary attended Nashville schools and graduated from Nashville High School in 1978. After high school, he attended diesel mechanic courses at Rend Lake College. At a young age, Gary farmed with his father and uncle. He later worked in a body shop in Nashville. July 16, 1981, Gary purchased a Western Star semi-tractor and started building his trucking company, Johannes Trucking, in earnest. Johannes Trucking is a family owned company and provides grain and rock hauling, custom spreading of lime, and is contracted to haul grain from Ashley Elevator,



Ashley, Illinois to various area elevators. Johannes Trucking currently has customers in Washington, Jefferson and Perry Counties.

Gary enjoys rabbit and deer hunting, fishing, and traveling.

Gary and Sharon met at a chicken and beer dance at the Du Bois K.C. Hall 11 November 1989. Gary's sister Wanda and her first husband Ruben were friends of Sharon's. Wanda arranged to introduce Sharon to Gary that night. After three hours of waiting, and Gary drinking several beers for courage, Gary finally asked Sharon to dance. They have been together ever since.

On 31 August 1990, Gary and Sharon had planned an one day trip to Kentucky Lake. They stopped at Paducah's Cracker Barrel Restaurant for breakfast and Sharon began to notice that Gary was acting strange. She thought something must be on his mind about the business or perhaps he was ill. Unbeknownst to Sharon, when Gary excused himself to go to the restroom, he actually slipped outside to his pickup truck. He returned, they finished breakfast, and prepared to journey on to Kentucky Lake. When Sharon went to get in the pickup there was something wrapped in a paper towel lying in the seat. Thinking it was a peach from her mother's refrigerator, Sharon was about to ask Gary why her mother had given him the "peach" when her hand closed around it. In an instant she realized the "peach" was a ring box! Gary was so nervous he pushed her on in the truck and drove back onto I-24. In true trucker fashion, his proposal was a simple "Will you?" between that exit and the next. Sharon answered yes and finally opened the box and slipped the ring on. At least once a year the couple return to Kentucky Lake. Each time they pass the "Will you?" spot they reminisce about the day they became engaged.

Sharon and Gary were married 8 February 1992 at First Baptist Church. A large well-attended reception was held at the K.C. Hall in Pinckneyville.

They live in their first home located on State Highway 127 North, just south of Oak Grove Baptist Church. They have no children.

## KEENE-SMITH

John C. Keene married Nancy Burdine Smith (daughter of William and Phebe Taylor Smith) and their children were: Sarah Elizabeth (1853-1936) wed William B. Martin (son of George Martin); Thomas H. (1855-1947) wed Martha Jane Keene; John Willis (1859-1942) wed Annis Reisinger; Pheba (1857-1907) wed Henry Houghland; William E. (1861-1934) wed Charlotte Luben, daughter Gertrude Mae and J. Logan Glendon; Clara Clementine (1868-1965) wed Creed Smith (son of William and Phebe Taylor Smith); Benjamin F. (1871-1953) wed Mary Louisa Baker "Molly"; Frances (- 1949) wed Frank Boze; Mary (1851-1924) wed 23 October 1870 Joshua Tipton; Malachi (1876-1962) wed Mary Honora O'Neill; Charles E. (- 1880) wed Rachel Mae, son Jackson died as infant.

For a complete family history on John C. Keene, Sr. and also William Henry Smith, Sr., refer to the previous Perry County History Book published. (see WILLIAM DAVIS, GEORGE MARTIN Bio's)

## KEENE-YEARION

Rose Marie Yearion Keene (born 14 October 1942 in Middletown, Ohio) is the first child of

James Milford and Helen (Harmount) Yearion of Du Quoin, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were Milford Harrison Yearion and Rosa (Schultz) Yearion of Detroit, Michigan. Maternal grandparents were Charles Brianer and Marie (Nelson) Harmount of Middletown, Ohio.



Arthur and Rose Keene.

Arthur Ross Keene, Jr. (born October 1941) in Du Quoin, Illinois is the only child of Arthur Ross and Anna Mabel (Stickles) Keene of Du Quoin, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were Benjamin Franklin and Mary (Baker) Keene of Pinckneyville, Illinois. Maternal grandparents were James Emory and Mabel (Brown) Stickles of Du Quoin, Illinois.

Arthur graduated from J.B. Ward Jr. High in 1955 and from Du Quoin Township High School in 1959. Arthur lived in Perry County all his life except three years military duty (59-62) and twelve years working in Detroit, Michigan, (62-74). He worked for fifteen years as a miner for Old Ben Coal and is now employed by Marshall Browning Hospital as an environmental tech.

Rose Marie graduated from St. Gabriel's Academy of Detroit, Michigan in 1960. She came to Perry County in 1975. Before coming to Perry County, she was a Teachers Aide at Higgins School in Detroit, Michigan. She has been employed for the last eight years as an admitting clerk for Marshall Browning Hospital.

Arthur and Rose Marie were married on 17 November 1961 in Frenchtown Township, Michigan. They were blessed with the birth of two children: Michelle Marie born on 17 March 1966 and Rose Marie born on 18 December 1967.

Michelle graduated from Du Quoin High in 1984 where she was active on the girls basketball team. She graduated from Belleville Area College 14 May 1987 and has been employed for ten years as a Physical Therapist Assistant for Marshall Browning Hospital. In August of 1993, Michelle married Kevin Dudek of Tamaroa, Illinois and now resides with him there.

Rose was 1985 graduate of Du Quoin High School where she was active in the swing choir. She attended John A. Logan College where she received an Associated Degree in Mid-Market Management and a degree in Fashion Merchandising. On 9 May 1998 she received her Bachelor's Degree of Science in Social Work from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. In July of 1990 she married Richard Len Miller, Jr. They were blessed with one child Ashley who is a student at Sacred Heart School.

## KEITH

Abner Keith was the first of this family to settle in Perry County, coming from Union County before 1830. He was born on 8 January 1778 in

Pennsylvania to Henry Keith. Henry moved to Muhlenburg County, Kentucky where Abner married Magdalena Hunsaker Lasey, widow of Valentine Lasey, in 1804. Abner and Magdalena had he following children: Sampson, born 2 April 1805, and married to Lucinda Parmley and stayed in Union County, Illinois; Bowen, born about 1806 and married Elizabeth Lipe. He died 26 June 1852 in Perry County, Illinois; Frances, born about 1806 and married Rev. Peter Hagler, he died in Perry County on ( January 1877; Dorcas who was born on 20 March 1808 in Muhlenburg County, Kentucky and married 22 March 1827 to Peter Bardmess; Delilah, born about 1810, and married to Jacob Clutts; Valentine (see below); Rezin, born about 1812 and married 21 November 1833 in Perry County, to Sarah Dye; and Elizabeth, born about 1819, and married 7 January 1836 to John F. Anderson in Perry County.



John Riley Keith, in about 1910.

Magdalena Hunsaker Lasey Keith died in Union County, Illinois before 1820. Abner Keith then married Sarah Lamar and had the following children: Rachael, born about 1821 in Union County, Illinois, and married in Perry County to Pendleton Worthy Jones on 12 December 1839; Felix Grundy, born 24 November 1823, and married in Perry County on 1 January 1854 to Susan Gosney; Louisa J., born 3 January 1825 and died January 1895; Mary Matilda born 12 October 1826 married to Gilbert Lipe in 1848; Pleasant Franklin, born 25 October 1829 in Perry County, married first on 23 December 1858 to Mary Harris, second to Martha R. Spann, and third to Kate Ferguson. He died 22 March 1876, Perry County, Illinois; and Sarah born 1 June 1832 in Perry County, married 3 November 1853 to Edmund Lipe.

Abner and Sarah Lamar Keith are buried in Old Nine Mile Cemetery near Pinckneyville. Their children and grandchildren spread to Illinois, Missouri, Oklahoma, and Kansas.

Abner and Magdalena's son, Valentine Keith, was born on 20 December 1812 in Muhlenburg County, Kentucky. He married first to Elizabeth Holt and second on 22 December 1842 to Elizabeth Eaton, daughter of Samuel and Elizabeth West Eaton. Valentine died in Perry County on 9 February 1858. Children were: Louvica, who married Alonzo Etherton and Frank Spurgeon; John Riley (see below); Nancy Ann, born 13 December 1843 in Perry County, married Samuel Houston White; and Marshall who was born about 1854 and married Mary E. Wheatley.

John Riley Keith was born 3 October 1843 in Perry County, Illinois and died in Meade County, Kansas on 14 June 1915. He married 13 October 1864 to Nancy Ann Thompson. They traveled by covered wagon to Clark County, Kan-



sas in about 1885. They were among the first in this area with evidence of their dugout still visible in 1990. *Submitted by Rita Wilburn Ackerman*

## KELLER-BOSSLE

Minnie Gertrude Keller was born 21 December 1880. She married John A. Bossle. John and Minnie lived most of their life in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Children of Minnie Keller and John Bossle are: (1) Howard Bossle, who was the father of twins; (2) Mae Bossle. She married Don Jones. They had two sons, Norman and Bill; (3) Verlinda Bossle; (4) Emmalou Bossle. She married Howard Webb and lived in Mulkeytown, Illinois and had one daughter, Dorothy Lou Webb; (5) John Mark Bossle who was a postman; (6) Lawrence Bossle; and (7) Harold Bossle. Harold was a pianist.

## KELLER-BRAMBLETT

Robert Charles Thompson Keller was born 22 November 1825 in Bedford, County, Tennessee. He was the son of Joseph and Ann [Kelley] Keller of Bedford County, Tennessee and the grandson of Jacob and Louise [Hodge?] Keller of Burke County, North Carolina. He married Eleanor Bramblett (born 5 April 1825 in Georgia) about 1842 in Bedford County, Tennessee. They lived for a few years at the Kellertown Community in Bedford County, Tennessee.

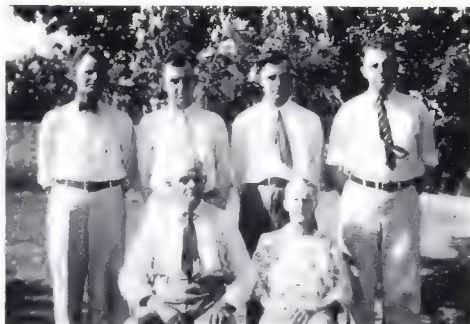


*Robert Charles Thompson Keller and Eleanor (Bramblett) Keller and Daughter, Rhoda Tula Keller.*

Robert C. T. sold his farm in Tennessee about 1851 and moved to paradise Prairie, Illinois, a community a few miles northeast of Du Quoin, Illinois. This trip was made on horseback with John Alexander (7 years old) and Joseph Newton riding behind their parents and Sophia, the baby, being held by Eleanor.

They had the following children: 1. John Alexander Keller born 5 September 1844 Bedford County, Tennessee died 9 January 1905 buried White Church, married 23 August 1865 to Nancy Verlinder Eakin born 18 December 1843, Perry County, Illinois died 16 December 1909, buried White Church, Paradise Prairie, Illinois. 2. Joseph N. Keller born 14 October 1847 Bedford County, Tennessee died 20 April 1920, buried Webb Prairie, Franklin County, married in Perry County, Illinois to Cordellia Whitlatch, born 1 January 1850 Perry County, Illinois, died October 1891, buried Webb Prairie Cemetery, Franklin County, Illinois. 3. Sophia Rebecca Keller born 13 May 1850 Bedford County, Tennessee died 21 May 1923 Kirk Cemetery Ina, Illinois married Orick Whitlatch in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois. 4. James Benjamin Keller born about 1 January 1852 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, died June, 1922 West Frankfort, Illinois, married

23 April 1879 in Illinois to Ella Haynes, born 1862 died January 1938. 5. Isabell Keller born about 1 January 1859 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, died 29 December 1881, married Ephram Provart born in Perry County. 6. Rhoda Tula Keller born 16 May 1868 Du Quoin, Illinois, died 15 February 1917 Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, White Church Cemetery, married October 1889 in Pinckneyville to Isaac Bilbry, born Perry County, died November 1894 Jackson County, Bur Sterus Cemetery. Robert C. T. and Eleanor were charter members of the Paradise Prairie Church known today as the White Church. It is located about 4 miles east of Route 51 on the State Route 154.



*L to R Back Row: Arthur J., Roy M., Fred G., and Lyle Dyer Keller; L to R Front Row: Willie and Minerva Missouri Provart Keller.*

One day Robert met an English gentleman named Philip C. C. Provart in St. Louis. Mr. Provart asked about a good area to live. He came back to Paradise Prairie with Robert C. T. They were life long friends and on Christmas Day of 1889, Willie C. Keller, grandson of Robert C. T. married Minerva Missouri Provart, granddaughter of Philip C. C. Provart, at the new home of Mr. Provart. It was reported that the wedding was performed in shirt sleeves with the doors open due to the high temperatures on Christmas Day.

Robert C. T. Keller was buried in the White Church Cemetery 23 November 1919. Eleanor (Bramblett) Keller was buried in the White Church Cemetery 28 November 1885.

Their oldest son John Alexander Keller volunteered for service in the Union Army during the Civil War. He was captured and spent the last nine months in the infamous ANDERSONVILLE Prison. He and his wife Nancy Verlinder Eakin had the following children: 1. Dameries Eleanor Keller born 4 April 1866 Perry County, died 9 October 1890 buried White Church; 2. Cora May Keller born 4 April 1867, Du Quoin, Illinois died, 27 December 1943 buried at White Church married Alfred Commmeans born 21 October 1865 Du Quoin died 25 June 1956 buried White Church, Perry County, Illinois; 3. William Charles Keller born 11 April 1869 Perry County, Illinois died 16 January 1934 Du Quoin, Illinois, buried Sunset Memorial Cemetery married 25 December 1889 Paradise Prairie To Minerva Missouri Provart born 30 December 1865 died 26 June 1939 Sunset Memorial; 4. Walter McPherson Keller born 24 July 1871 died 21 November 1909 married 8 December 1895 in Perry County to Nannie Haggard born 4 August 1875 died 12 July 1897; 5. Oscar E. Keller born 9 June 1876 Perry County died 1877 in Du Quoin, Illinois; 6. Minnie Gertrude Keller born 2 December 1880 Perry County, Illinois died 14 March 1961 buried IOOF Cemetery Du Quoin married 15 March 1905 in Du Quoin to John A.

Bossle born 11 April 1875 in Du Quoin, Illinois died 14 September 1938 buried Du Quoin, Illinois IOOF. Descendants of Robert C. T. Keller who live in Perry County as of December 1997 include: Fred G. Keller, Julius Keller, Virginia Beggs, Sue Knapp, Maretta Hall, Rebecca Hall, Ruth Crews, Sylvia Morris, Susan Giffin, Stephen Terrel Teel, Sharon Colleen [Teel] Dean.

## KELLER-BROWN

Warren Harry Keller was born 13 September 1905 in Tamaroa, Illinois area to Louis George Keller (born 13 July 1864, St. Clair County, Illinois; died 6 December 1936 in Tamaroa and is buried in Round Prairie Cemetery, (White Walnut Road-northwest of Tamaroa, Illinois) and Eliza Clara (Hester) Keller (born 30 May 1876, Washington County, Illinois; died 4 September 1959 in Mt. Vernon and is buried in Round Prairie Cemetery, White Walnut Road-northwest of Tamaroa, Illinois) Louis and Eliza were married 6 September 1896 in Perry County.



*Warren Harry and Albertha Violet (Brown) Keller.*

Albertha Violet Brown was born 9 December 1908 in Hampton, Nebraska to Herman Brundenell Brown (born 5 November 1874 in Illinois and died 19 March 1934 in Haxtun, Colorado and is buried in Haxtun Cemetery in Haxtun, Colorado) and Ida Mae (Schrader) Brown (born 21 April 1886 in Hampilton County, Nebraska and died 24 February 1953 in Sterling, Colorado and is buried in Haxtun Cemetery in Haxtun, Colorado). Herman and Ida Mae were married 20 October 1903 in York, Nebraska.

Warren Harry and Albertha Violet were married 21 July 1934 in Cheyenne County, Sidney, Nebraska.

Children born to Warren and Albertha are : 1) Violet Elizabeth Keller born 24 May 1935 in Haxtun Colorado; 2) Betty Faye Keller born 1 January 1937 in Haxtun, Colorado; 3) Donna Marie Keller born 23 November 1938 in Du Quoin, Illinois; 4) Warren Henry Keller born 29 December 1941 in Fleming, Colorado; and 5) Larry Dean Keller born 11 June 1944 in Fleming, Colorado.

Grandchildren of Warren and Albertha Keller are: 1) Norma Jean Mydler born 13 September 1953; 2) Roger Allen Mydler born 20 October 1956; 3) Brenda Sue Mydler born 16 July 1960; 4) Brian Keith Mydler born 27 February 1962; 5) Jerry Dale Zettler born 23 February 1956; 6) Pauline Faye Zettler born 30 December 1957; 7) Sherry Lee Zettler born 11 January 1959; 8) Cynthia Lynn Zettler born 5 October 1964; 9) Dickie D. Mountain Whipple born 15 April 1960; 10) David Joe Warren Whipple born 13 July 1961; 11) Deona Albertha Dean Whipple born 22 July 1962; 12) Diana Rose Faye Whipple born 1



March 1964; 13) Dennis Deon Whipple born 18 August 1966 and died 23 November 1966; 14) Dinah Dana Ann Whipple born 3 March 1968; 15) Douglas Orval Ray Whipple born 21 July 1969; 16) Doris Loretta May Whipple born 6 July 1971; 17) Dewayne Tommy Joe Whipple born 31 October 1972; 18) Darla Rebecca Georgia Whipple born 10 February 1974; 19) Tammie Lynn Keller born 28 April 1965; 20) Larry Dean Keller, Jr. born 17 June 1970; 21) Susan Ann Keller born 6 September 1973; 22) and Dawn Marie Keller born 24 October 1978.

Great Grandchildren of Warren and Albertha Keller are: Brandi Christine Farmer born 27 November 1977; Stephanie Marie Boyagen born 20 September 1982; Jimmy Charles Boyagen born 30 March 1984; Eddie Robert Mydler born 24 December 1983; Caitlyn Dianna Mydler born 2 April 1990; Mara Lynn Fulcher born 12 October 1991; Mellessia Dawn Mydler born 9 July 1985; Jerry Dale Zettler, Jr. born 11 December 1974; Tisha Faye Zettler born 12 February 1976; Bobby Joe Zettler born 12 October 1977; Brittany Nicole Bays born 12 December 1988; Matthew David Bays born 31 July 1994; Amanda Kay Whipple born 2 December 1980; Jason D. Mountain born 9 October 1981; Joseph Leon Deon Whipple born 8 May 1987 and died 27 December 1991; Shawn Douglas Christopher Whipple born 30 October 1989; Gina Renea Donna Marie Whipple born 14 November 1993; Ryan Austin Lee Whipple and Travis Aron Lewis Whipple (twins) born 23 January 1996; Robert Joseph Timothy Whipple born 14 February 1995; Nathen David Whipple born 7 August 1987; Rebecca Laura Whipple born 19 October 1988; Kisty Lynn Frazier born 12 October 1985 and died 21 May 1997; Phillip Michael Atkins born 3 February 1989; Timothy Adam Burton born 20 September 1987; Kimberly Renee Burton born 21 June 1990; Misty Marie Roper born 9 June 1986; Amber Nichole Roper born 1 February 1990; Hailey Renea Roper 21 August 1991; Joshua Reed Nehrt born 29 July 1996; Dewayne Tommy Joe Whipple, Jr. born 22 August 1996; Katelyn Ann Marie Darlene Whipple born 2 February 1998; Brittany Nichole Pate born 11 November 1991; Brook Abigail Spear born 10 August 1995; Miranda Lynn Schiff born 13 October 1990; and Kristian Elizabeth Keller born 2 May 1996.

## KELLER-EAKIN

John Alexander Keller was born 5 October 1844 in Bedford County, Tennessee, and died 9 January 1905 in Paradise Prairie Community and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. John was the son of Robert Charles Thompson and Elender (Bramblett) Keller. John married Nancy V. Eakin, 23 August 1863 in Paradise Prairie Community, Perry County, Illinois.

Children of John Keller, and Nancy Eakin are: (1) Damaries Elenor Keller, born 4 April 1865 in Perry County, Illinois; died 9 January 1905 in Paradise Prairie Community and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; (2) Cora May Keller, born 4 April 1867 in Du Quoin, Illinois, Perry County; died 27 December 1943 in Paradise Prairie and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Cora May married Alfred Risden Commean, 24 March 1891 in Perry County, Illinois; (3) William Charles Keller, born 11 April 1869 in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois; died 16 January 1934 in Coello,

Franklin County, Illinois and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. William Charles married Minerva Missouri Provart, 25 December 1889 in the home of Philip Cockle Coyett Provart, Perry County, Illinois; and (4) Walter McPearson Keller, born 24 July 1871; died 21 November 1909 in Perry County, Illinois and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; (5) Oscar E. Keller, born 9 June 1873; died about 1877 in Perry County, Illinois and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; (6) Infant Keller, born 27 October 1877; died 27 October 1877; and (7) Minnie Gertrude Keller, born 21 December 1880.

John Alexander Keller and Nancy V. Eakin were married 23 August 1863 in the Paradise Prairie Community. They were members of the White Church located in the Paradise Prairie Community in the eastern part of Perry County, Illinois. They never left this community and at their death were buried in the White Church Cemetery. John Keller was born in Bedford County, Tennessee, went to Illinois with his parents when about seven years of age. He served the last two years of the Civil War in the Union Army. He was a prisoner of war in the Andersonville Prison, where, it was reported those who were sent there received some rather cruel treatment. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean*

## KELLER-ECKERT

Philip Henry Keller, born 5 January 1817 Darmstadt, Hessen Germany came to American sometime before 1846. On 6 November 1846 in Monroe County, Illinois, he married Christine Eckert, born 12 October 1827 Mushelstadt, Germany. Thereafter he moved to Perry County, somewhere around the settlement of Round Prairie which is north west of the village of Tamaroa. Both are buried in the Round Prairie Cemetery.



*Madge and Art Keller.*

Philip and his wife, Christine, became the parents of six children, three boys and three girls: Philip Lewis, Mary, John, Louise, Louis George, and Catherine.

Ronald Keller's direct ancestor was the youngest son, Louis George Keller who on 31 August 1896 in Perry County wed Eliza Clara Hester of Washington County, Illinois. Their children were: Ruth, George Goldman, Katherine Louise, Leonard John, Elmer Louis, Warren Harry, Iona Violet, Edward Willman, father-in-law, Arthur Philip, and Clayton Wilbern.

Arthur or Art for short, chose as his life long companion Madge Clarinda Calmpet, daughter of Raymond Lloyd and Lela Marie (Taylor) Clampet. They married in 1938 in Perryville, Missouri and became the parents of ten children, eight of whom lived to adulthood.

The first son of Madge and Art, born in 1941, lived a very short life. Having contracted pneumonia when only one month old, Arthur Philip Keller Jr. is buried in the Tamaroa Cemetery.

Phyllis Madge Keller born in 1942 lived in Chicago for a short period of time before returning to her birthplace. She now lives in Pinckneyville with her youngest sister, Lee Ellen and Phyllis' granddaughter, Shareigha Brienne Bradley. Phyllis had two daughters: Sarah Louise; and adopted daughter Michelle Jennifer; and a son, Philip Charles born in 1968 lived only a few short weeks before his death. Sarah is married to Jeffrey Kent Bronke. They are the parents to four boys: Nicholas Ryan; Nathan Michael; Brandon Tyler; and Garrett Anthony and are residing in Leroy, Illinois.

Ronald Arthur Keller and Nancy Ann (Ellison) were married in Tamaroa in 1967 at the Missionary Baptist Church by Reverend Harry Wright. They have one daughter, Katrina LeeAnn born in 1974. Katrina married David Allen Waldman on 5 June 1993 at the St. Charles Catholic Church in Du Bois. Their son Zachary Caleb in now 4 years old and their daughter, Kourtne Madelyn was born March 7, 1998.

Eugene Louis Keller and Ruth Ann Weisel have three children: Tina Marie; Kelly Clarinda; and Scott Eugene. Gene and Ruth Ann moved to Neosha, Missouri several years ago where he is employed for the Sunbeam Company. Tina and Scott followed them to that area. However the middle child, Kelly lives in Du Quoin with her husband, Douglas Wayne Clark and their daughter, Nicole. They are expecting a second child in March of 1998.

Patricia Elaine having lived in several states as well as in Europe while her husband was in the service is now living in Tamaroa with her husband, Ricky Jo Foist. The oldest child, Jennifer Lynn is married to Kevin Ferel Merkel and has a daughter of her own, Calley Lanne'. Sons, Shawn Michael, Christopher Aaron, Richard Lee, and Joshua Wade are all still living at home.

Charlene Kay was stillborn at birth in 1954 and is interred in the Tamaroa Cemetery.

Donald Edward married Peggy Sue (Chapman) Craig of Tamaroa in 1975. Together they raised four children. Vicky Dawn Craig lives in Du Quoin with her husband Todd Aaron Woodside and their children: Jaycci Dawn, Colten Todd, and Brandon Tanner. Vonda Michelle Craig has one daughter, Chloe Sue and lives in Neosha near her mother. The two youngest children, Heather and Derrick both married in 1997 in a double wedding ceremony held in Branson, Missouri. Heather Renee Keller married Tom Misner while Derek Edward Keller wed Carol Patrick. All except Vicky now live in Missouri near their parents.

Carol Joan Keller found her husband while attending the wedding of her niece, Vicky Dawn Craig. It turns out that she married the groom's brother, Victor Randall (Randy) Woodside. They live in Tamaroa and have three children: William Randall, Clinton Tyler and Eliza Catherine.

Raymond Michael entered the Navy upon graduation from Tamaroa High School. While on one of his leaves in South Carolina, he met his bride to be, Caroline Allan Smoak. They still reside in South Carolina, where Raymond and Caroline have both pursued professional careers. They have no children.



Lee Ellen, the youngest of Madge and Art Keller's children, works for ABC Daycare in Du Quoin. Ellen lives with her oldest sister, Phyllis in Pinckneyville and helps care for her niece, Shareigha.

Although Madge had several children, they were her passion and she continued to care for several Perry County children until her death in 1989. Art completed his tour of duty in the Navy, and came home to Tamaroa. For most of his life, he worked for the Tamaroa Home Lumber Company and was Mayor of Tamaroa until his death in 1971. Art was a very good woodworker and many, many of his works can be found throughout the area. Both are interred in the Tamaroa Cemetery. Submitted by Nancy Ann (Ellison) Keller

## KELLER-ELLISON

Nancy Ann Ellison and Ronald Arthur Keller were united in marriage by Reverend Harry Wright on 16 April 1967 at the Tamaroa Missionary Baptist Church in Tamaroa. Nancy is the daughter of Mary Elizabeth (Reeder) and Lawrence Elbert Ellison. Madge Clarinda (Clampet) and Arthur Philip Keller are the parents of Ronald.



Nancy and Ron Keller.

Nancy, her parents and siblings moved to Tamaroa in Perry County in August 1966, where Nancy began school as a Senior Class member at the Tamaroa High School. Ron has lived his entire life in the Tamaroa - Du Quoin area. After their marriage, Nancy and Ron lived in Tamaroa. In 1975, they purchased a home in Du Quoin. Several years later in 1983, they built a new home in the Brookside Subdivision of Perry County, near the Perry - Jackson County Line.

The couple's only child, was born 31 May 1974 in Carbondale Memorial Hospital. She was given the name Katrina LeeAnn. Katrina received her education in the Du Quoin school system. In 1993, she married David Allen Waldman. David, a graduate of Pinckneyville Community High School, grew up in the Du Bois area of the county and is now employed in the management program with the Heileg Meyer Furniture Company in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Katrina and David have a son, Zachary Caleb who is 4 1/2 years old and a daughter, Kourtne Madelyn born March 7, 1998.

Nancy is currently employed as a receptionist with Prestige Trailer, Inc. of Du Quoin. Ron after 25 years at Consolidation Coal Company #2, lost his job when the mine closed in 1995 and is now a full time student at John A. Logan College in Carterville, Illinois. He hopes to receive his associated degree in Occupational Therapy within the next two years and thus fulfill a lifelong dream of working in the medical field. Submitted by: Nancy Ann (Ellison) Keller

## KELLER-JONES

Robert C. Keller, was born about 1803, probably in Burke County, North Carolina, youngest child of Jacob and Jane Keller. He moved to Bedford County, Tennessee, with his widowed mother before 1820 and married Araminta Jones, daughter of Matthew and Rachel Gallegly Jones.



Martha Alldredge Keller, widow of Laban Hamilton Keller with children: L to R, Samuel, Joseph and Julia.

Robert and his family came to Perry County with his wife's family shortly after 1830. He was commissioned Justice of the Peace for the North Eastern District of Perry County in 1839, and was affirmed a trustee of the Nine Mile Baptist Association October 1843. Robert died 14 September 1846 in Perry County burial place unknown.



On left: Col. Julius Keller, B47 Flight Crew, August 1954, 91st Bombing Squad #324, Lockbourne AFB, Ohio.

Robert and Araminta had the following children: 1) Louisa M. Keller, born 1820, Bedford County; married [1] James Terry and [2] Joseph Wilkerson. Louisa and James had eight children; many of their descendants live in Perry County today. 2) Rachel Jane Keller, born about 1822, Bedford County married John Porter Lipe. They had four children. Rachel Jane died young, and her husband married [2] Mrs. Lucinda Ukmphrenour Burke. 3) Joseph William Bryant Keller, born 24 September 1827, Bedford County, married Lucinda Jane Ragland. Lucy bore seven children, but only two lived to maturity. Joseph enlisted in the 81st Regiment of Illinois Volunteers and died of typhoid fever at Jackson, Tennessee 16 December 1862. 4) Matthew Francis Marion Keller, born about 1830, Bedford County, married (1) Amanda Spears and (2) Rachel Lucinda Martin. Matthew and Amanda had one child who died young. Matthew and Rachel had two children—on of whom lived to maturity. They settled in Decatur, Texas. 5) Laban Hamilton Keller, born 8 July 1832, Perry County, married Martha Alldredge. They had five children—two of whom died young. Laban died of tuberculosis in 1864. Martha went to Utah in 1869 with her three surviving children and lived near her uncle, John

Brown (a former resident of Perry County) and joined the Mormon Church. She has many descendants living in the West. 6) Sarah Melissa Keller, born about 1834, Perry County married Martin Adkins. Martin enlisted in the 110th Illinois Volunteers and died in Nashville, Tennessee, 2 March 1864. Sarah died two months later. Their only child, William Burton, was reared by Sarah's cousin, Leighton Haggard and wife Phoebe Ann Ford. 7) Permelia E. Keller, born about 1837, Perry County, died before 14 February 1876, married 1 November 1855, Perry County, James T. Martin. They apparently had no children. 8) Robert G. "Gabe" Keller, born November 1840, married Delila Zuritha Martin. Gabe enlisted 11 September 1862 in the 110th Consolidated Illinois Infantry. They had three children and moved to Decatur, Wise, Texas in 1879. 9) Able A. Keller, born about 1842, Perry County, was living with his brother, Robert and family in 1870 and 1880. Apparently he never married. 10) Araminta E. Keller, born 15 September 1846, Holts Prairie, Perry County, married John J. West. They had two children. Submitted by Patrick L. Simiskey

## KELLER-RICE

Philip Lewis Keller was born in St. Clair County, Illinois, on 22 November 1847. He was one of six children of Henry Philip, born 5 January 1817 in Germany - died 6 October 1902 in Perry County, and Christine (Ekhert) Keller, born 12 October 1827 in Germany - died 5 January 1915 in Perry County.

Mary Gwen (or Gwin) Rice was born in Perry County, Illinois, on 19 January 1859. She was the daughter of Alexander Rice. Philip wed Mary G. in the late 1870's. Philip worked as a farmer in the Round Prairie area of Perry County, and Mary G. kept busy raising their 7 children and 3 more children from his first marriage. Mary G.'s children were: P. Walter, born 6 September 1880, married to Mary Huth; Harry Lewis, born 1 October 1882, married to Lydia Krallman; Philip Phines, born 15 April 1886, married to Winnie McKinstry; Myrtle May, born 1 May 1888, married to Harvey Benedict; Pearl Leola, born 26 May 1891, married to Leonard Dempsey; Verna Ethel, born 24 February 1894, married to Philip Williamson and Willard Alexander, born 1 August 1896, married to Ethel Smyth.

Philip's first wife, Mary Jane Hutchings, was born 25 December 1852 and died 7 August 1877, in Perry County. She was the daughter of William and Sarah Ann (White) Hutchings. Mary J. was the mother of Philip's first three children: Cora Ellen Mary, born 7 November 1870, married Charles Goldman; William Henry, born 26 June 1872, married to Cathrine Gernand; and John Lawrence F., born 1 November 1874, married to Malinda Helvey.

Philip L. died on 24 April 1936, and Mary G. died on 8 February 1922. Both died in Perry County and are interred in the Round Prairie Cemetery northeast of Pinckneyville along with Mary J., his first wife.

## KELLER-TYLER

Walter McPearson Keller was born 24 July 1871, and died 21 November 1909 in Perry County, Illinois and is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. He married (1) Emma C Tyler. He married (2) Nannie Hoggard 8 December 1895 in Paradise Prairie Community in Perry County, Illinois.



Child of Walter Keller and Emma Tyler is Helen Lucille Keller, born 28 March 1903;; died 7 April 1912 in Perry County, Illinois and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois.

Child of Walter Keller and Nannie Hoggard is Clarence H. Keller, born 12 August 1897.

## CHARLES VINCENT KELLERMAN

Charles Vincent Kellerman and Kimberly Jane Huth are the parents of two children: Jonathan Vincent born 15 June 1987 and Hannah Leann born 2 December 1989. Jonathan and Hannah were both born at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Jonathan and Hannah both attend St. Bruno School in Pinckneyville, Illinois.



L to R: Charles and Kim Kellerman; L to R: Jonathan and Hannah.

The family resides at 502 North Beaucoup Street in Pinckneyville, Illinois. (see CHARLES VINCENT KELLERMAN in Volume I)

## KELLERMAN-TIMPNER

Jerome Edward Kellerman, born 6 August 1964 in Pinckneyville Community Hospital, is the ninth of ten children of Rudolph J. and Ella Mae (Flure) Kellerman. Paternal grandparents are William J. (1884-1967) and Rosa (Ritter) (1901-1992) Kellerman. Maternal grandparents are John J. (1884-1965) and Rosa (Majerkurth) (1897-1995) Flure.

Leanna Sue (Timpner) Kellerman, born 5 September 1967 in Pinckneyville Community Hospital is the second of three daughters born to Gary and Irma (Wildermuth) Timpner. Paternal grandparents are Edward C. and Margaret (Schickedanz) (1914-1991) Timpner. Maternal grandparents are Edward J. (1915-1997) and Eva Marie (Heisner) (1918-1994) Wildermuth.

Jerome was baptized and confirmed at St. Bruno's Roman Catholic Church in Pinckneyville, Illinois. He attended St. Bruno's Elementary and Junior High School. He graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1982. He attended Reind Lake Junior College obtaining an Associates Degree and graduated from University of Illinois with a Bachelor Degree in Agricultural Engineering in 1986. He has completed his Masters in Business Degree in 1998 from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

Leanna was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She attended Pinckneyville Community School system where she graduated in 1985. In 1989 she obtained a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from Deaconess College of Nursing.

Jerome and Leanna were united in marriage 15 August 1987 at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois. During this time they resided in Mt. Olive, Illinois. Jerome was employed with the Illinois Department of Transportation in Springfield, Illinois.

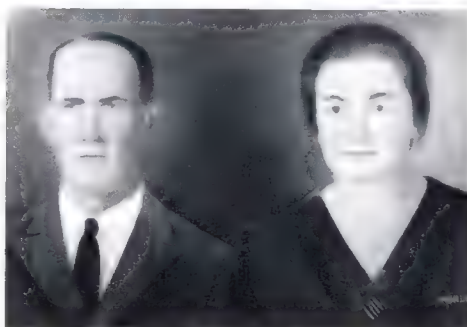
Leanna was completing her college education and employed at Hillsboro Community Hospital. They later moved to Troy, Illinois in 1989 where Leanna completed her Bachelor Degree. Jerome then joined the engineering consulting firm of Booker and Associates. Leanna began working at St. Louis University Hospital in the Coronary Intensive Care Unit. In 1991, Leanna became the Clinical Research Coordinator for St. Louis University Arrhythmia Service. Jerome joined Woolpert Consultants in St. Louis, Missouri and is currently a project manager for the Water Resource Division. Leanna began working for Medtronic, Inc. in 1993 as a Clinical Specialist in the Pacing Division.

Two children were born to this marriage: Nicholas Edward born 2 January 1995 and Eric Lee born 21 April 1997. Both children were born at St. Mary's Health Center in Clayton, Missouri and baptized at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois

The family currently resides in Troy, Illinois. Submitted by Leanna Kellerman

## KELLEY-ARNETT-NEWMAN

Edward Andrew Kelley was born to the family of William S. and Martha Josephine (nee Marlow) Kelley in Perry County, Illinois on 19 July 1888. Edward worked as a coal miner at the Winkle coal mine and helped sink the Grasshopper mine near Horse Creek.



Edward Andrew Kelley and Lena Mae (Arnett) Kelley Newman.

Lena Mae Arnett was born in Perry County, Illinois on 10 September 1892 to Peter W. and Samantha Viola (nee Reisinger) Arnett.

Edward and Lena married on 24 January 1913 in Perry County, Illinois and brought four children into the world. Their first child, Violet Alene, was born 12 December 1914 at Winkle, Perry County, Illinois while Edward was working at the Winkle mine. Violet grew to adulthood and married William Noel Trigg. (see Trigg-Kelley history)

Loren "Red" Eugene joined the Kelley family on 15 September 1920 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois. He married Erma Mae Birkner (born 2 April 1921) on 30 June 1940 in Perryville, Missouri. They had one child, Judith Amelia (nee Kelley) Lindner.

The Kelley's lost their third child, Naomi when she was stillborn on 6 June 1925 in Pinckneyville.

Marvin Duane "Pooz" was welcomed to the Kelley family on 28 November 1929. He married Shirley Eldridge (born 10 December 1929) on 29 December 1949. They welcomed two children to their family: Deborah Kathleen and Michael D.

Edward and Lena raised their children on Parker Street in Pinckneyville and belonged to the Oak Grove Baptist Church. Edward enjoyed gardening and Lena enjoyed sewing and needlework.

After Edward's death, Lena married Everett Newman and resided on Mill Street in Pinckneyville.

Edward is buried at Oak Grove Cemetery. Lena and Everett are buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery. Submitted by Violet Kelley Trigg.

## KELLEY-KEITH

Talana Faye Kelley married Jeffery Kurt Keith (Krause) 12 February 1994 in Springfield, Illinois. Talana and Jeff both work for the State of Illinois in Springfield for Public Aid. Talana is a BCHS. Talana was born 16 April 1960 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Ross Edward Kelley and Della Faye Fred.



Talana, Jeff, Landon and Laree Keith.

Jeff was born 11 May 1967. Jeff and Talana live in Raymond, Illinois, Box 438. Talana Kelley and Jeffrey Keith have a son Landon Kurt Keith (Kelley) born 19 July 1990 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. They also have a daughter, Laree Kaylana Keith born 27 August 1995 in Springfield, Illinois. Landon attends school at Christian Elementary School. Jeff loves to golf. He also loves sports and cooking. Talana's hobbies are collecting dolls and shopping. Submitted by Ross and Della (Fred) Kelley

## KELLEY-MAHER

Andrew Kelley (born 1818 Ireland; died 13 November 1873 Perry County, Illinois) came to Kane County, Illinois in 1856 and to Perry County, Illinois in 1857. On 15 August 1859 he bought 40 acres of land from Peter Dermond. Andrew was married to Mary Maher (born 1820 Ireland; died after 1886 in Perry County, Illinois).

Andrew and Mary had at least five known children: Andrew Jr. (born 1856 Kane County, Illinois) who married Jennie May North (born ca 1868; daughter of Levi and Mary J. Huey North) on 12 July 1886; William S. (born 1857; see Kelley-Marlow history); John (born ca 1847 Ireland; died by 1886 when the land was deeded to Wildy); Bridget (born ca 1845 Ireland; see Reidelberger-Kelley history); and Catherine (born ca 1849 Ireland). There is some question as to whether some of these children are half-siblings and if Mary was Andrew's second wife. Submitted by Violet Kelley Trigg



## KELLEY-MARLOW

William S. Kelley (listed as William James Kelley in some documents) was born 19 January 1857 in Perry County, Illinois to Andrew and Mary (nee Maher) Kelley. William married Martha Josephine Marlow, daughter of Isaac and Mary M. (nee Lynch) Marlow, on 8 October 1885 in Perry County, Illinois. Martha was born 27 March 1866 in Perry County, Illinois.



William S. Kelley and Martha Josephine (Marlow) Kelley.

William became a farmer and he and Martha raised their family on a farm approximately 8 miles north of Pinckneyville. Martha enjoyed being a homemaker and quilter. They attended Oak Grove Baptist Church and are buried in that Church's Cemetery.

William and Martha welcomed 11 children to their union. Their first child, Henry, died in infancy. Hattie May, their second child, was born 19 July 1886 in Perry County, Illinois. She grew to marry John Miller on 10 May 1904. She later passed away on 27 February 1941 in Coulterville, Randolph County, Illinois.

Edward Andrew joined the Kelley family on 19 July 1888 in Perry County, Illinois. On 24 January 1913 he married Lena Mae Arnett in Perry County. Edward passed away on 17 February 1939 in Perry County.

The 4<sup>th</sup> child of the Kelley family, John Palmer, arrived 26 October 1890. He married Rose Giacomo on 4 August 1917 in Perry County. "Palmer" died 23 January 1940.

Guy James, their 5<sup>th</sup> child, was born in Perry County on 26 September 1892. He married Emma Davis on 27 September 1926 and later died on 7 August 1955 or 56.

Maude E. Kelley, arrived 25 September and married John Dublo on 4 March 1919. Maude died on 27 July 1981.

Raymond joined the Kelley family on 31 December 1897. He married Belva Cottom on 1 September 1920 and died on 3 May 1964.

Nellie, born 1 July 1900, married her brother-in-law's brother, Frank Dublo. She died 25 October 1963.

Emma (Kelley) (Rich) Keene born 4 December 1903 married Earl Rich 10 February 1920 and divorced Earl Rich 1 April 1946 and married Malachi Keene in June of 1953. Emma Keene died 23 November 1972.

Tillie, who married Jes Hill, was born on 19 January 1908 and died 25 October 1960.

The "baby" of the Kelley family, Mildred, joined them on 11 October 1910. She became Mrs. Vallie E. Chandler on 10 February 1928. She died 8 December 1995 and is buried at Oak Grove Cemetery. Submitted by Violet Kelley Trigg

## KELLEY-MESTER

Ross Edward Kelley, II was born 14 November 1969 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois, son of Ross Edward Kelly and Della Faye Fred. Ross II works for I.M.A. as a M.I.S. Director. He takes care of computers in St. Louis, Missouri and Chicago, Illinois. He lives at 3216 Winch Road in Springfield, Illinois.



Ross Edward Kelley, II and Cindy Mester.

Ross II and Cindy Mester, his girlfriend, are the parents of a daughter, McKenzie Moon Mester, born 12 February 1998 at St. John's Hospital in Springfield, Illinois. She weighed 6 pounds and 15 1/2 ounces and had lots of black hair. Ross II loves to hunt and fish and also redo old furniture. Cindy was born 1 February 1968 in Springfield, Illinois. She attended Millikin University in Decatur, Illinois. Also, University of Illinois in Springfield, and Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois. Cindy is an Instructor of Clinical Psychiatry at Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. She is studying for her PhD. Submitted by Ross and Della (Fred) Kelley

## KELLEY-ROY

Samantha "Sam" Kaye Kelley was born 8 March 1967 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois daughter of Ross Edward Kelley and Della Faye Fred. Sam married Tom Roy, 26 June 1993. Tom was born 16 February 1954. Samantha and Tom both work for Croford, Murphy and Titlie Corporation in Springfield, Illinois. Samantha is a payroll administrator and Tom is a controller. Tom also is a CPA and he graduated from the University of Illinois. They live at #30 Taft Drive in Rochester, Illinois.



Tom and Samantha Roy.

Tom has two daughters, Bethany Roy, born 14 March 1980, and Whitney Roy born 9 February 1982. Submitted by Ross and Della (Fred) Kelley

## KELLEY-SCHUH

Sonseeah "Sonny" Rae (Kelley) Dunn married William "Bill" Schuh 12 February 1995 in

Springfield, Illinois. Sonny was born 21 July 1962 in Du Quoin, Illinois, daughter of Ross Edward Kelley and Della Faye Fred. Jeff was born 11 May 1967. Bill and Sonseeah both work for the State of Illinois. Sonseeah is an Executive Secretary to Associate Director of the Department of Human Services. Bill is an Executive for the Department of Public Aid. They live at 7900 Gooseberry Hill Drive in Springfield, Illinois. Children of Sonseeah Kelley are: (1) Shane Michael Alan Kelley, born 15 November 1984; and (2) Sasha Racine Dunn, born 18 May 1988.



Sonseeah, Bill, Shane, Sasha, and Will.

Bill has a son, William Edward Schuh, born 11 November 1987. Sonny loves to fish and golf. She also helps with the Stephen Ministry at her Church. Bill loves to golf and fish. He also loves sports. He played football in high school. Bill was born 14 June 1957 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Bill also coaches basketball, football at CES. He also coaches baseball at YMCA for his son, William. Submitted by Ross and Della (Fred) Kelley

## KERN-BAILIE

Joseph Kern and Louise Bailie were married 29 November 1905 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin.

Joseph was born 29 December 1874 in Du Quoin and was the ninth of eleven children born to Philip Jacob and Catherine (Kreher) Kern. Louise was the third of six children born to William and Bridget (McCarty) Bailie. Her father was Scotch-Irish and her mother was Irish. She grew up in Du Quoin in a house that still stands on South Walnut Street.



Joseph and Louise Kern.

Joseph was a talented musician and played the baritone masterfully. He along with two of his brothers, played for years in community bands that have been well-documented by area historians. Around the turn of the century, many of those bands would hold impromptu parades down Main Street and through residential sections of Du Quoin.



When Joe began courting Louise, rumor has it that he would serenade her outside her bedroom window. After they were married, they lived on Joe's parents home place along South Wells Street Road. There they had eight children, though the first and last born of them died in infancy. Their children were: Thomas Joseph (1908-1908); Catherine Rita Schubert Stone (1909-1990); Joseph Charles (1912-1988); Albert Bernard (1914-1991); Charles August (1916-1978); Philip Paul (1918-1998); William Francis (1920-1979); and Helen Louise (1922-1922).

Lula was known for her jovial and outgoing personality. She would regularly sing, laugh and spread her good humor. It is said she took after her father's personality. Joe, on the other hand, had his family's more stern German background.

Joe was a life-long coal miner who worked in several mines. He worked tirelessly to provide for the family, but years in the mines took their toll on this health. He suffered breathing problems for years. In those days, young men wishing to work in the mines had to find a currently-employed sponsor to show them the work first-hand. When some of his own sons wanted to go to work with him, he refused to sponsor any of them, saying he didn't want his sons to endure the hazards and health concerns he faced.

Joe's family came from a line of German sausage makers. He and his brothers regularly made their own sausage. Lula was known for her culinary skills and did all the baking, canning and cooking house wives raising large families were known for.

Both Joe and Lula were lifetime members at Sacred Heart and they instilled a great deal of faith in all of their children. Joe rarely attended church services. Usually it was on holidays or special occasions. Lula, however, attended mass almost daily. She would trod the dirt road to church every morning, then do her shopping downtown.

After Joe's parents died, the couple and their growing family lived in his parents' three room home they built around 1868. As the family grew, Joe decided a larger place was needed. He built the present home place around 1920 by tearing down the old home and using much of the lumber in the new two story place, immediately to the north. The family slept in tents outside until the new place was under roof. The home still stands and remains in the family today.

Four of their five sons fought in World War II and all came home safely, though neither Joe or Lula lived to see it. Lula died on 22 August 1941; Joe on 3 March 1942. They are buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery. *Submitted by Kevin Kern*

## KERN-KREHER

Philip Jacob Kern was born 21 August 1831 in Bellheim, Bavaria, Germany, a small town near the Rhine River. He was the second child of George Adam and Elizabeth (Brugger or Bugger) Kern. He had an older brother, Daniel, and two younger sisters, Elizabeth and Catherine.

This entire family emigrated to America aboard the ship *John Holland* arriving at New Orleans on 8 May 1852. They proceeded to St. Clair County, Illinois.

Sometime in 1856, Philip married Catherine Kreher, the eldest child of Emmerich and Catherine (Metz) Kreher. She was born 1 November 1835 at Munster bei Deeiburg, Hessen, Germany. She had emigrated during the winter of 1855-56 with

her parents, brothers Jacob, John and Adam and sister, Elizabeth. This family settled in Paderborn, in southern St. Clair County.

Philip and Catherine lived in Madison County for several years after their marriage and had their first four children there. About 1866, they moved to the Du Quoin area. They purchased a large tract of land southwest of the city on what became Wells Street Road. Philip's father, presumably a widower, moved with them. Philip constructed a three-room house and began a large farm operation. He also had an orchard that flourished for decades on the property. They had seven more children here, though three of those died in infancy.

The family became charter members of Sacred Heart Catholic Church. George Adam Kern died on 10 November 1874 and was among the first persons to be buried in the church's cemetery. Philip Kern died 6 January 1908 and Catherine on 24 May 1911.

Their children and their families were: Adam Kern, born 26 January 1857 and died 28 January 1916. He was a blacksmith and married Emma Newborn on 29 January 1895. Their children were Catherine, Clara Erhardt, George Marshall, Charles and Anna Pilousek.

Jacob Kern, born 17 September 1858 and died 23 March 1928. He was a farmer near Mulkeytown and married Mrs. Nathalia (Kopp) Muller on 11 November 1886. Their children were: Henry, Anna Genesio, Philip, Emery, Catherine and Theresa Riva Chiodini.

Helena Kern Schwinn, born 27 April 1860 and died 11 November 1924. She married Andrew John Schwinn on 18 October 1881. Their children were: Elizabeth Ritter, Jacob, Catherine Hutchinson, Matthias, John, Frances Bidwell, Mary Burnett, and Philip.

Katherine Kern, born 29 September 1865 and died 9 February 1935. She was unmarried and cared for her parents in their advanced age. She took an interest in her many nieces and nephews and also devoted extensive time to the Sacred Heart Church and School.

John Anton Kern, born 27 October 1868 and died 17 September 1944. He was a coal miner and married Mary Jonas on 27 October 1868. They had six daughters: Catherine Boyle, Mary Spears, Minnie, Ann Briardy and twins Clara and Regina.

Emmerich Andrew "Emery" Kern, born 7 December 1869 and died 4 December 1940. He was a coal miner and married Louisa Zitt on 7 December 1896. Their children were: Gertrude Corbin, Edward, Louis, John, Louisa McCollum and Agnes Cousins.

Maria Kern, born 29 May 1872 and died in September of 1872.

Eva Kern, born 20 August 1873 and died on 19 September 1873.

Joseph Kern, born 29 December 1874 and died 3 March 1942. He was a coal miner and married Louise Bailie on 29 November 1942. Their children were: Thomas, Catherine Schubert Stone, Joseph, Albert, Charles, Philip, William, and Helen.

Henry Kern, born 6 March 1876 and died 1946. He was a coal miner and factory worker and married Ida Mae Brown on 14 September 1898. Their children were: Harry, Arthur, Ida Vosmick, twins, Edward and Edgar and Charles.

Philip Kern, born 24 August 1878 and died 10 September 1878. *Submitted by Kevin Kern*

## KILLINGSWORTH-SHILCUTT/ CHILCUTT

William Robinson Killingsworth, was born 29 February 1796 in North Carolina and died 2 June 1843, Guilford County, North Carolina. He married 27 February 1821 in Guilford County, North Carolina, Margaret "Peggy" Shilcutt (often spelled Chilcutt in Guilford County), probable daughter of Elkanah "Cain" and Ann Shilcutt, Jonathan Parker, bondsman. That same year, William R. purchased eighty-seven acres on the north side of Reedy Fork of the Haw River, north of Greensboro from one Robert Maxwell of Monroe County, Tennessee, in the presence of Elkanah "Chilcutt" and James Maxwell (Deed Book 15, p. 643). In 1825, he purchased 117 acres in the same general location from Andrew and Mary Donnell, which was part of an original grant made to John Boyd, in the presence of William Donnell and Leven Gladson (Deed Book 18, p. 61). In 1831, William R. Killingsworth sold to James Patrick, Sr., of Rockingham County, North Carolina and John A. Faulk of Guilford County, sixteen acres and eighty poles of land which he had inherited on ponded water near a mill which was formerly the head of Reedy Fork and adjoining Killingsworth's field. He last appears in Guilford County, North Carolina deed records (Deed Book 28, pp. 90-92,) in which he was selling eighty six acres to Joseph Cunningham and personal property to satisfy debts, dated 23 July 1842. No grave-stone has been found, but his widow appears in a Deed of Trust as administratrix of her husband's estate in the presence of their oldest son, Addison F. Killingsworth and M. Brannock (Deed Book 29, pp. 267-268). At this time, Margaret sold one grey mare, one ladies' saddle, four head of cattle, ten head of hogs, all the crop of corn "now growing on the plantation, rye, oats, household and kitchen furniture of every description," dated August 1845. Margaret "Peggy" (Shilcutt) Killingsworth next appears in the 1850 census of Hawkins County, Tennessee with the surviving children and a grandson (except for daughter, Elizabeth "Anna" thought to be married and living next door as Mrs. P.W. Gorsel), District #11, p. 782 #56. Margaret has not been found on later census records.



*L to R Standing: Rose Killingsworth, Pleasant S. Killingsworth and Emma (Killingsworth) Hess; L to R Seated: Margaret (Killingsworth) Cadle and mother, Elizabeth E. (Clark) Killingsworth about 1890.*

Children of William Robinson and Margaret (Shilcutt) Killingsworth were as follows: Elizabeth Anna Killingsworth, born 15 October 1821, Guilford County, North Carolina is believed to appear next door to Margaret Killingsworth and family on the 1850 census of Hawkins County, Tennessee with husband P.W. Gorsel/Gorrell and children Nancy Gorsel born about 1845. North



Carolina; Lucy Gorsel born about 1847, Tennessee and Mary Gorsel born about 1849, Tennessee. Nothing further is known of this family except that a P.W. Gorrell was a justice of the peace in Perry County, Illinois and officiated at the marriage of Margaret M. Killingsworth to George W. Clark, 12 January 1854.

Addison Francis Killingsworth, born 1 May 1824, Guilford County, North Carolina and died 26 October 1860, Perry County, Illinois. His first marriage has not been found but a son, William "Riley" Killingsworth was born to this union and appears on his father's estate record in Perry County, Illinois (Probate Record, Box 312). He married 20 February 1855, Perry County, Illinois, Ann (Huey) Clark, widow of John Clark (1806-1853) but had no other children.

Mary Williamson Killingsworth, born 16 August 1826, Guilford County, North Carolina, death date unknown. She married 1 May 1856, Perry County, Illinois, Calvin G. Gladson (M.B. 2). They had children, Mary A. Gladson born about 1852, Perry County, Illinois and Mathew Gladson, born about 1858, Perry County, Illinois (1860 census, #581). Mary is believed to have died prior to 1870 and Calvin later remarried (1880 census, p. 14, Perry County, Illinois).

Pleasant Bolavar Calhoon Killingsworth, born 1 December 1828, Guilford County, North Carolina, died 8 June 1893, Perry County, Illinois (Probate Record Box 312). He married first, 14 February 1856, Perry County, Illinois, Sarah Elizabeth Parkinson (M.B. 2). Children of this marriage were: Laura/Mary Jane Killingsworth, born 5 January 1857; William Henderson Killingsworth, born 31 August 1858, Perry County, Illinois, married first Mary Jane Deason, 14 November 1878, Perry County, Illinois and secondly her sister Ada (Deason) Dyche, October 1903, Worth County, Missouri, died 16 November 1904, Worth County, Missouri. Mary Josephine Killingsworth, born 22 November 1860, Perry County, Illinois died young; Louisa Samantha Killingsworth, born 17 March 1862, Perry County, Illinois, married Rodney Wolf and died 21 March 1905, Perry County, Illinois; Harriet Francis Killingsworth, born 3 July 1863, Perry County, Illinois married

Richardson and died 24 January 1889; Margaret Joann Killingsworth, born 28 April 1867, Perry County, Illinois, died 5 May 1888, Perry County, Illinois, and Charles Hannabell Killingsworth, born 7 January 1869, married May Campbell 25 May 1892 and died 17 May 1950. Three children of this marriage survived father: William H. Killingsworth, Louisa Samantha Wolf and Charles H. Killingsworth.

Pleasant Bolivar Calhoon Killingsworth (1828-1898) married secondly, 10 June 1880, Perry County, Illinois Sarah Catherine Foster, daughter of William and Mary Jane (?Patman) Foster. Children of this marriage were: Robert Anderson Killingsworth, born 23 August 1882, Perry County, Illinois, married 16 March 1903 Rebecca Elizabeth Neville and died 31 October 1963, Perry County, Illinois; Bertie Ethel Killingsworth, born 25 June 1885, Perry County, Illinois married 2 September 1908 Charles Thomas Foster and died 27 January 1969; Aaron Dwight Killingsworth, born 15 May 1888, Perry County, Illinois married 5 January 1912 Mary Cowan and died 21 September 1944, Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois; Lilie May Killingsworth, born 1 June 1892 died 4 June 1905,

Perry County, Illinois; Emma Belle Killingsworth, born 1 April 1895, Perry County, Illinois, died infancy (does not appear on family record); Elsie "Blanch" Killingsworth, born 24 July 1896, Perry County, Illinois married Lenly Summers (does not appear on family record). A Minnie Mulcena, born 25 December 1875 married William E. Rich and died 13 June 1904 is shown on family record but appears as Minnie Foster, step-daughter on 1880 census p. 46B and as Minnie Melcena Frizzle on later record. Five children of second marriage survived father: Robert A., Bertie E., Aaron D., Lily May and Elsie B.

Orizon Hanabell Killingsworth, born 11 May 1831, Guilford County, North Carolina, died 10 November 1888, Worth County, Missouri. He married 1 December 1853, Perry County, Illinois, Elizabeth E. Clark, daughter of Alexander, Jr. and Rutha (Teague) Clark. Their children were as follows: Margaret Killingsworth, born 28 August 1854, Perry County, Illinois, married Charles Cadle son of Patterson R. and Ann (Kincaid) Cadle and died 30 March 1918, Worth County, Missouri; William Killingsworth, born 3 November 1856, Perry County, Illinois, married Worth County, Missouri, 4 July 1877, Julia T. Richmond and died 28 February 1887; Elvina "Emma" Killingsworth, born 5 August 1850, Perry County, Illinois, married 1 September 1883, Worth County, Missouri, Samuel Hess son of Jacob and Barbara Ann Hess (no surviving children); Pleasant Samuel Killingsworth, born 5 January 1863, Worth County, Missouri, died 21 October 1920, St. Joseph, Buchanan County, Missouri, married first, 1 July 1883, Worth County, Missouri, Nancy Alminnie Cooper (1861-1892), daughter of George James and Joanna (Stanley) Cooper, married secondly 16 March 1893, Worth County, Missouri Christian C. Combs, daughter of Samuel P. and Sarah M. (Armstrong) Combs; and Rose E. Killingsworth, born 6 March 1875, Worth County, Missouri, died 5 June 1949, Worth County, Missouri, married 16 December 1896, Worth County, Missouri, William Jefferson Constant.

Margaret Maria Killingsworth, born 20 April 1834, Guilford County, North Carolina, died 2 December 1902, Perry County, Illinois. She married 12 January 1854, Perry County, Illinois, George W. Clark, son of Alexander Jr. and Rutha (Teague) Clark. Their children were as follows: Sarah J. Clark, born about 1856, Perry County, Illinois; Clara J. Clark born about 1859, Perry County, Illinois married 24 October 1883, Perry County, Illinois, Joseph Riley Curtis; William K. Clark, born about 1868, Perry County, Illinois; Margaret M. Clark born about 1872, Perry County, Illinois, married \_\_\_\_\_ Marlow and died young, and George E. Clark, born about 1876, Perry County, Illinois and died young.

Nancy Elvina Killingsworth, born 31 March 1837, Guilford County, North Carolina, died 8/9 October 1876, Worth County, Missouri, married 15 March 1855, Perry County, Illinois, George W. Eaton. Their children were as follows: Mary "Emma" Eaton born 1857, Perry County, Illinois, died 5 September 1872, Worth County, Missouri; Pleasant "Frank" Eaton, born 9 May 1860, Perry County, Illinois, died 1945, Perry County, Illinois, married 29 September 1887 Vernilia Groves; Alfred Lyman Eaton born 11 April 1863, Worth County, Missouri, died 27 January 1940, Worth County, Missouri, married first, 19 June 1883, Worth County, Missouri, Mary Jane Rodgers, sec-

ondly 12 November 1905, Worth County, Missouri, Delcena Spainhower; John H. Eaton, born 1867, Worth County, Missouri; Lazarus Eaton born and died 1869 at nine days and Minnie Eaton born 5 July 1872, Worth County, Missouri, died 1881, Perry County, Illinois.

Sarah Joan Killingsworth, born 23 March 1840, Guilford County, North Carolina, death date unknown, married first 1 December 1856, Perry County, Illinois, Mathew L. Vann ( -1858), secondly, 17 February 1859, Perry County, Illinois Josiah "Joe" McDonald. Submitted by Mrs. William K. Ray

## CHARLES ARTHUR KIMZEY

Charles Arthur Kimzey third son of Ephraim Kimzey born 22 June 1873 died 6 February 1943, married 19 March 1914 to Cora Ruby Calvert born 2 November 1897 died 20 October 1990.

Four sons were born to this union: Vallie Knodell born 18 December 1910 died 23 February 1974; married 14 February 1943 to Mildred Lucille Anglin born 30 January 1925, daughter of Joseph Alex and Cora Mae Smithson Anglin of Jackson, Tennessee. Two children: Gertrude Lucille Kimzey born 10 December 1943 died 7 July 1959 with meningitis; Vallie Kenneth Kimzey born 6 August 1950, married 27 June 1970 to Janet Lee Bible born 9 July 1952, daughter of William W. and Lillian George Bible of Louisville, Kentucky. Two children joined this union: Michael Kenneth born 1 July 1972, married 18 June 1994 to Rebekah Fayth Brotzge born 11 September 1973. No children. Cheryl Lynn Kimzey born 21 October 1979 and will graduate from Butler High School in June 1998.

Charles A. Kimzey born 9 March 1915 died 3 March 1976 in Red Bud, Illinois, married Mary Elaine Ferguson born 8 June 1917. Two children: Elaine born 16 August 1938 and Curtis Arlin born 1 March 1941 died 30 January 1998. Divorced Mary.

Second marriage to Leona Alberts born 1 April 1915, one child to this union Janice Lynn born 18 December 1950. Elaine married Monsour Maleki, M.D. Esfahan, Iran. She lived in Iran for many years. When her children were college age they came back to the states to be educated here. They are Sue Maleki, Soheila Maleki and Dar Maleki.

Curtis married Betty and two sons joined them: Doug who is deceased and David in the military.

Eugene Ephraim Kimzey born 11 June 1916 died 1972. Married a widow named Stella, who had a daughter Carol Lynn. Two sons joined this union: Eugene Jr., an R.N., a lawyer Bruce and wife live in Single Springs, California. Carol Lynn is single and lives in North Carolina. Stella Kimzey still lives in Sebastopol, California.

Loren Dow Kimzey born 28 August 1927 died 8 January 1993, married Natalie ? and three sons to this union: Steve Kimzey, Darrel Kimzey and Chuckie Kimzey. Loren divorced Natalie, worked many years with International Harvester Company and raised his sons. Second marriage to Evelyn Moss born 15 February 1923. They retired in New Lenox, Illinois.

Charles Arthur Kimzey worked with his father Ephraim, farming near Sand Ridge, Illinois, did road work for the township, was Justice of Peace for many years, lived in Jackson County all his life, owned 40 acres on Towncreek Road near Watt Hill in Sand Ridge Township.



## DAVID STEELE KIMZEY

David is the son of James C. Kimzey and Elizabeth Hill born 17 November 1818, Livingston, County Kentucky. He married Sarah Ann Woodside, 28 September 1841 in Livingston County, Kentucky. She is the daughter of John Woodside and Nancy Hamilton. Nancy was the daughter of William Hamilton who died in Caldwell County Kentucky in 1811. William came to Kentucky from South Carolina. John Woodside is the son of Samuel Woodside who was in the Revolution. John and Nancy are buried in the Coulterville Cemetery. David and Sarah are in the 1850 Perry County Census. By 1860, Sarah is by herself as David disappears about 1851. Their children are:



*James Steele Wilson and Anna Lucinda Chambers Wilson.*

John Alexander born 18 December 1842 Grandecote Prairie, Illinois died 17 February 1922 Evans County married Tirza Wilson 5 April 1870, Perry County, Illinois a daughter of James Steele Wilson and Anna Lucinda Chambers, who is the daughter of William Chambers of Randolph County, Illinois; James Padian born 16 November 1844, Perry County, Illinois died 22 October 1921 Brush County married Anna Nelson, 6 December 1877, Greely, County; Martha M. born 16 October 1846, Perry County, Illinois died 25 October 1892, Arkansas City, Kansas married Hugh Darrough of Perry County, Illinois. He died 3 March 1904, Colorado Springs, Colorado; Mary born 9 October 1850, Perry County, Illinois died 31 May 1904, Weld County Colorado, married 9 November 1876, Weld County, Colorado, Antone Shable.

## EPHRAIM H. KIMZEY

Ephraim H. Kimzey born 8 September 1843 died 12 June 1888 at age 44 years, 9 months and 4 days. He married Mary Schumacher, no birth or death records found. A native of Kentucky, a staunch Union man at the time of the outbreak of the Civil War, he left his native State to come to Illinois and here he enlisted as a member of Company E 48 Regiment, Illinois Volunteers, and served three years, six months or until badly wounded and received his Honorable discharge on account of disability. He married in Hardin County, Illinois to Miss Mary Schumacher, of that locality, and three children were born to this union: Lorenzo Dow, Milo, and Charles Arthur. After his marriage Mr. Kimzey engaged in farming in Hardin County but eventually sold that farm and moved to Jackson County until his death in 1888, was engaged in farming near Murphysboro. His widow continued to live on a farm near Sand Ridge. Mr. Kimzey was a staunch Republican in

his politics, and was a popular Comrade, of the Grand Army of the Republic. Mrs. Mary Kimzey later married Walter W. Nifong and resided in Randolph County. Mr. Kimzey is buried in Poplar Ridge Cemetery in Jackson County, Illinois.

## JAMES CAMPBELL KIMZEY

James C. Kimzey and his wife Elizabeth settled in Perry County, Illinois, 4 miles southwest of Pinckneyville from Livingston County, Kentucky in 1829. They came with Robert Woodside and William Armstrong. The 1850 Census lists James as 60 years old so he was born in 1790 in south Carolina. His parents were David and Elizabeth Kimzey. David's father, Benjamin, was this families' immigrant and he married in Virginia, Margaret Gregg, daughter of John Gregg of Cumberland County, Pennsylvania. John Gregg and Benjamin Kimzey were both in Augusta County Virginia about 1750. David was born about 1755, probably in Augusta County, Virginia. Both David and his father Benjamin were in Buncombe County, North Carolina in the 1800 census. In 1812, David and his father started a Presbyterian Church in his home in Livingston county, Kentucky (now Crittendon County). James died in Perry County 7 February 1852 and is buried in the Galum Church Cemetery. He was in the War of 1812 from Tennessee and he enlisted 2 May 1832 in Captain Kercheval's Company for the Blackhawk War.

James first married Elizabeth Hill, 4 October 1813 in Livingston County Kentucky and they had children: John A born about 1814 died 23 February 1847 KIA Mexican War; Ephram Robinson born 25 January 1816 Caldwell County, Kentucky died 4 January 1854 Perry County, Illinois, a log fell on him while he was helping to build the Galum Church. Married Jane Brown 12 October 1837, Perry County, Illinois; Girl, died young; David Steele born 11 November 1818, Livingston County, Kentucky disappeared about 1851 married Sarah Woodside, daughter of John Woodside and Nancy Hamilton. She is the granddaughter of Samuel Woodside of the Revolutionary War. They married 28 September 1841 in Livingston County, Kentucky; James C. born about 1820 Livingston County, Kentucky married 1. Catherine Brown 17 November 1840 Perry County, Illinois 2. Martha Ann Brown 30 January 1850 Perry County, Illinois.

James married second Elizabeth Mary Armstrong, 9 April 1822, Livingston County, Kentucky. She is the daughter of Alexander Armstrong of Livingston County, Kentucky. Their children are: Alexander Armstrong born 21 February 1823 Livingston County, Kentucky. Married Jane E. They moved to Oklahoma; Nancy Jane born 27 January 1823, Livingston County, Kentucky died 12 April 1913 Perry County, Illinois married Robert Cunningham, Jr. 12 October 1841, Perry County, Illinois; William Hamilton born 14 December 1829 Livingston County, Kentucky died 5 November 1910 Perry County, Illinois married 1. Eudice Jardine Smith, 18 October 1848/9, Perry County, Illinois 2. Rachel Armilda Walkey, 15 March 1852, Perry County, Illinois; Humphrey E. born 15 February 1833 Perry County, Illinois died 12 June 1863, Vicksburg, KIA buried Galum Cemetery, married Mary Jane Steele, 20 January 1854, Perry County, Illinois; Matilda born about 1834,

Illinois died 13 January 1872, Perry County Illinois married Robert Craig, 25 December 1850, Perry County, Illinois.

## JOHN ALEXANDER KIMZEY

John A. Kimzey was born in Grandecote Prairie, Perry County, Illinois on 18 December 1842 and was the son of David S. Kimzey and Sarah Ann Woodside. Sarah was the daughter of John Woodside and Nancy Hamilton and granddaughter of Samuel Woodside who was in the Revolution. John Kimzey attended public schools in Perry County until he was 18 years. ON 10 August 1862, while only 19, enlisted in the 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry. He served for three years starting as a private and ended up being a sergeant. The first battle in which he participated was on 1 May 1863 near Fort Gibson. He arrived at Raymond, Mississippi on 12 May 1863 under command of General Logan. On the 14<sup>th</sup> of May he was at Jackson, Mississippi. He was slightly wounded in the shoulder at Vicksburg when climbing the breast works and participated in the battle of Champion Hill where several prisoners were taken on 16 May 1863.



*John A. Kimzey, Vicksburg 1863, 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry.*

On 2 January 1866, John left Illinois for Colorado. He crossed the plains by wagon and on reaching his destination, took up the occupation of teaming, freighting and Indian fighter. His brother, James was already in Colorado working on the Geary Ranch. When his mother died in St. Louis in 1870, he went back to Perry County and married Tirza Wilson on 5 April 1870. Tirza was the daughter of James S. Wilson and Anna Lucinda Chambers (daughter of William Chambers and Rebecca Chalmers McDill). John traveled back to Colorado and started farming. Tirza traveling by train when the track was finished as far as Evans, Colorado a few months later. John died 17 February 1922 at his home in Evans County. Tirza died 24 September 1940.



*John Alexander Kimzey and Tirza Wilson Kimzey.*

In 1893 the family moved to Arkansas City, Kansas and farmed until 1899 when they moved



back to Colorado. John's sister, Martha who married Hugh Darrough, lived in Arkansas City. They were there for the opening of the Cherokee Strip and their son David ran for a strip of land.

John and Tirza's children are: Jesse Clarence born 17 January 1871, Old St. Louis Trading Post on the Big Thompson River. (Now Loveland, Larimer County, Colorado) died 1 September 1958, Denver Colorado, married 31 August 1893 Las Vegas, New Mexico, Alice Teal Marshal, daughter of William Marshall and Mary Alexander; Children: William, Alice, Clarence and Zenas; David Steele born 9 August 1842, Loveland, Larimer County Colorado died 23 December 1967 Loveland, Larimer County, Colorado married 1. Etta Bowman Reeves, 2. Lula, 3. Charlotte V. Hardy; Mary Ella born 9 January 1876 Evans, Weld County, Colorado, died 31 December 1879 Evans, Weld County, Colorado; Walter Scott born 20 February 1874 Evans, Weld County, Colorado died 5 September 1959 Sand Point Bonner County, Idaho married 30 November 1898, Emma C. Stone. Children: Walter, William, Hershall V., John E., Clarence L., Gladys M., Charles E., and Helen E.; Anna Adella born 13 January 1878, Evans, Weld County, Colorado died 6 August 1899, Evans, Weld County, Colorado; Sarah May born 11 March 1880, Greeley, Weld County, Colorado, died 14 January 1964, Tulsa Oklahoma married 12 October 1898, Arkansas City Kansas, William B. Seyfer. Children: Harold C. and Dorothy H.

## LORENZO DOW KIMZEY

Lorenzo Dow Kimzey was born 22 October 1868 died 7 January 1947. 24 March 1892 married Celestia C. Porter born 3 February 1875 died 1961. Both are buried in Parrish Cemetery, Vergennes, Illinois. Four children joined this union: Walter W. Kimzey born 26 December 1894 died 29 October 1949 Marion, Illinois buried Oakland Cemetery Carbondale. Married Alice ? Kimzey 2<sup>nd</sup> wife. Mary Helen Kimzey born 5 November 1895 died 3 March 1977, married Carrol H. Medlin born 1891 died 1969. Two children: Elmer and Jewell. Lucevia C. Kimzey born 24 December 1899 died 1 October 1970, married Amos E. Qualls born 3 December 1889 and died 22 January 1984. Six children: Alberta, Regina, Lavern, Edward, Percilla, and Leon. Ida Kimzey born 13 December 1906 died 17 January 1988, married Bob Lunsford born 21 March 1902 and died 24 July 1986. Two daughters: Charolette and Marjorie. L.D. Kimzey, as he was known, was educated in the public schools in Hardin County and engaged in farming with his father until 17 years of age in that location. When the family moved to Jackson County, he remained in association with his father until the latter's death, at which time he purchased a farm of his own. He was reared to agricultural pursuits, and taught scientific methods of farming. Successful in pursuing that vocation, he decided to try his ability in the mercantile field. During the early months of 1911 he rented his land, moved to Fordyce (Gorham) and there purchased the grocery and meat market of R. Crain. As a businessman he had shown himself to be enterprising, progressive and capable as well as possessed attributes which enable a man to successfully follow more than one vocation. Like his father, a stalwart Republican, Mr. Kimzey has served as highway commissioner of Sand Ridge Township, was school director sev-

eral years and as township treasurer. Fraternally he was affiliated with the Modern Woodman of America.

## MILO KIMZEY

Milo Kimzey born 11 September 1870 died 1936, married 25 December 1892 to Mahala Francis Wayland born 11 April 1876 died 1964 in Jackson County, Illinois. To this union six children were born: Arthur Clarence born 30 January 1894, died ?, married 20 August 1918 to Edith Bogarth. He was a farmer near Arnett, Oklahoma. No Children, Rose Evelyn Kimzey born 1897, died 1901.

Beatrice Mable Kimzey born 1904, married 20 August 1929 to Roscoe H. Godfrey. Three children were born to this union: Arthur Godfrey born 1931 died 1938; Janet Maxine born 31 October 1933 and Mildred Elaine born 23 December 1939.

Alma Marion Kimzey born 14 April 1908. No children.

Ruby Loraine Kimzey born 28 June 1914 died ?, married Virgil Brown of Murphysboro, Illinois. Two children: David and Carol.

Helen Marie Kimzey born 6 June 1916, married Herman V. Sloan of Johnson City, Illinois, made their home at Mountain Home, Idaho. Two children: Ronnie and Candy.

Milo Kimzey was born on a river boat, Hardin, County, Illinois. He grew up there when a young man went west to Arkansas, met and married in Newton, Co. Took his bride to near Arnett, Oklahoma to homestead a farm in 1901. Sold the farm in 1920 and moved back to Jackson County, Illinois to be near his family. Several years later his son, Arthur C. Kimzey bought the farm back and lived there until he died. His widow continued to live there and rent the farm out. Milo Kimzey was janitor for the high school in Murphysboro, Illinois for many years.

## VALLIE KENNETH KIMZEY

Vallie Kenneth Kimzey born 6 August 1950 Jackson County, Murphysboro, Illinois, son of Vallie Knodell Kimzey born 10 December 1914 died 23 February 1974 in Perry County, Illinois and Mildred Lucille Anglin Kimzey born 30 January 1925 in Cochrane, Alabama. Kenneth had one sister, Gertrude Lucille Kimzey born 10 December 1943 died 7 July 1959. Kenneth's maternal grandparents were Joseph Alexander Anglin born 22 November 1890 died 20 January 1961, Cora Mae Smithson Anglin born 10 September 1897 died 10 May 1980 at Jackson Madison County, Tennessee. Paternal grandparents were Charles Arthur Kimzey born 22 June 1873 died 6 February 1943, Cora Ruby Calvert Kimzey born 2 November 1897 died 20 October 1990 of Murphysboro Jackson County, Illinois.

Kenneth attended Consolidated 204 Grade School, four miles east of Pinckneyville on State Route 154. Graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1968. He enjoyed golf, swimming, fishing, camping, softball, and caddying at the golf course. Was a member of First Baptist Church active in R.A.'s. Fall of 1968 he enrolled in United Electronics Institute in Louisville, Kentucky and finished there in June 1970. Was drafted into the army for two years service in Germany. Kenneth met a nice friend while ice skating. You could say Ken fell for Jan on ICQ. Janet Lee Bible born 9 July 1952 in Jefferson County, Kentucky, the youngest child of William W. Bible born 1919 died

6 November 1961 and Lillian George Bible born 25 April 1924 died 3 January 1995 in Louisville, Kentucky. Janet has two brothers: Bill Bible and Bradly Dudley. She attended grade school and Butler High School in Louisville, Kentucky. While in high school, she took business courses to help secure a job after graduation in 1970. Janet and Kenneth were married 27 June 1970. Janet went to Germany and spent 18 months there returning home 8 May 1972. Kenneth was discharged 3 July 1972. Their son, Michael arrived 1 July 1972 in time to welcome Dad home. A daughter, Cheryl Lynn, joined the family 21 October 1979. Michael and Cheryl attended grade and Butler High School in Louisville, Kentucky. On 18 June 1994 Michael and Rebekah Fayth Brotzge born 11 September 1973 were married. Cheryl Lynn, a senior at Butler will graduate in June 1998. Kenneth has been with Dean's Food for 20 years. Janet has worked for Frito Lay for 23 years. Michael is with Davis Plumbing. Rebekah works for a car dealership. Cheryl works after school and weekends for Staples Jewelry.

## KING-BROOKS

Joshua John King was born 7 November 1814 in Jackson County, Tennessee, and died 6 January 1881 in Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois, and is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. It is believed that Jonathan King, born 1789 in Tennessee who married Jemima (born about 1800) is the father of Joshua. Joshua John King married Polly Brooks, 25 December 1836 in Jackson County, Tennessee. Polly Brooks was born on 28 April 1812 in Jackson County, Tennessee and died 31 March 1891 in Perry County, Illinois. Polly is buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois. Both Joshua and Polly were reared and married in Tennessee, and soon after their marriage emigrated to Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois where Joshua King purchased 160 acres of land in 1832. Joshua lived on this farm land until his death.

Polly Brooks first married Henry Carner of Virginia. Three children were born to Polly and Henry Carner of which two were still living in 1894. The two surviving Carner children who were born to Henry and Polly Carner were Mary J. Carner, who married Archibald House, a highly respected farmer in Allendale, Missouri; and William H. Carner, a Baptist minister who resided in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

The nine children of Joshua King and Polly Brooks are: 1) Martha Canzada King died in infancy it is believed; 2) Sarah "Sallie" B. King, born 1838 in Tennessee; died in Oklahoma. She married John Montgomery in 1858; 3) Elizabeth Lauretta King, born 1841 in Illinois; died in 1895; 4) Eletha F. King, born February 1842 in Illinois; died 5 August 1845 in Perry County, Illinois at age 2 years, 6 months, 21 days and buried in Section 34, T5-R1 Cemetery Perry County; 5) Martha Canzada King, born 14 May 1843 in Paradise Prairie, Illinois, Perry County; died 8 March 1936 and buried in White Church Cemetery, Paradise Prairie, Perry County, Illinois. Martha Canzada King married Levi Ernest Commean (1<sup>st</sup>) on 3 August 1862 in Perry County, Illinois; 6) John J. King, born 25 March 1849 in Perry County, Illinois died after 1936 in Perry County, Illinois. Buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; 7) Larkin B. King, born April 1852 in Illinois; died after 1936; 8) Matthew T. King, born 7 August



1853 in Illinois; died 7 February 1917 and buried in Paradise Prairie Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois; and 9) Amos Roy King, born 1857 in Illinois; died after 1936.

Source for Joshua King and Polly Brooks genealogical information: Randolph, Jackson, Perry, and Monroe Counties, Illinois, 1894 Portrait and Biographical Record of John J. King, pg 609; and Perry County, Illinois Probate Box 368, file #1404. Joshua King's probate names heirs. Joshua and Polly (Brooks) King were in Perry County, Illinois during the 1850 Census of Illinois. The value of his real estate owned at that time was \$400. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commear*

## KNIGHT-BELL

William Griffin Knight was born 11 June 1829 in Swannington, Leicester, England the son of William Gordon and Elizabeth (Griffin) Knight. He was married in the parish of St. Peter in Bedford, England to Keziah Jane Bell. William died in Du Quoin, Illinois 6 June 1888.

William and Keziah Jane came to the US around 1850, as a wedding gift and settled in St. Louis where they lived until 1863 when moving to St. Johns, Illinois. He was a painter by trade and later coal miner. At some time he entered the Civil War and served about six months.



*Harry Griffin Knight Family.*

Keziah Jane Bell was born 20 February 1830 daughter of John and Sarah (Pack) Bell in Bedford, England and died 19 January 1909, Du Quoin, Illinois. Sarah (Pack) Bell also came to the US with Keziah and William.

The first six children of William G. and Keziah Knight were born in Missouri. Prudence 1851, William John 1855, Sarah Jane 1857, Harry Griffin 1858, Frederick Augusta 1861, Elizabeth Ann 1864, Charles Thomas 1867, Emma Jane 1868, and Clara Bell 1871.

Harry Griffin Knight born 16 January 1859 and moved with his family to Perry County when he was about 6 years old. He started working in the coal mine when he was 9 years of age and worked continuously for 62 years. He died 26 April 1934 at age of 75. The 30 August 1883, he married Louisa Mae Zoeller daughter of Otto and Regina (Noe) Zoeller from Germany. Louisa was born in Freeburg, Illinois 14 February 1863 and died in Du Quoin 7 November 1944. Harry and Louisa had ten children: Nora, Dora, William, Bertha 1887, Harry Marion 1891, Theresa Jane 1893, Frederick Augustus 1899, Frank Charles 1902, Vera Ann 1904, and Celeste Rachael 1908.

Frederick A Knight was born 14 September 1899 in St. Johns, Illinois and died 13 December 1974. He married Alma Viola Scarborough 17 May 1928 daughter of George and Margaret (McMillan) Scarborough. Alma was born in

Matthews, Illinois 2 March 1910 and died 5 May 1995. Fred and Alma had two children: Fred Sidney born 30 October 1933 and Shirley Ann born 24 March 1935. Shirley married Derrell Gene Degenhardt, son of Joe and Ruth (Danbury) Degenhardt, and have three children; Diana Sue, Cathryn Elaine, and Stephen Wayne Degenhardt.

Fred Sidney Knight was born St. Johns, Illinois 30 October 1933. The 30 January 1954 in Bradley, Illinois he married Violet Mae Stowe born 10 May 1938 daughter of Marshall and Flora (Smith) Stowe. Violet and Sidney have four children: Marsha Elizabeth 19 October 1956, married Thomas Olen Hahs and have two children: Rebecca Elizabeth 27 October 1981 and Seth Thomas 29 March 1985; Michelle Lynn 8 October 1963 married Ross Michael Sells and have two girls: Bri Ann 1 February 1993 and Melissa Jo 12 November 1994; Monica Jo 20 July 1969 married Michael Thomas Lee and they have one boy Bryce Michael 6 February 1997; David Fred 25 June 1971 married Gwenn Simmone Levy and they have four children: Dava Inez 11 November 1989, Dakota Sidney 30 November 1992, Ashley Nichole 18 September 1993, and Jarod David 18 April 1997. *Submitted by Shirley Knight Degenhardt*

## KOCIAN-GREER

Paul William (Bill) Kocian is the only child of Paul Kocian and Viola G. Edwards. He was born 11 February 1938 in Rural Swanwick, Illinois. He graduated Pinckneyville Community High School in 1956. He lives in Rural Swanwick on a farm that he purchased from Carolyn M. Greer in 1963. He was a School Board member for the Swanwick 203 School until the school was consolidated with Pinckneyville District 50. He then ran for and was elected to the Pinckneyville District 50 School Board. He has also been a member of the Perry County Agriculture Council. He has worked for the M&I Railroad, Consolidation Burning Star #3 Mine, Arch of Illinois Captain Mine and Arch of Illinois Horse Creek Mine. At present he works for the Donald Greer Farms. He enjoys sight seeing tours and just relaxing with his family.



*L to R Fourth Row: Roger Brand, Rena' Kocian, Tina and Frank Kocian, Gretchen Kocian; L to R Third Row: Everett Kocian, Meschelle Brand, Chelsea Kocian, Janet, Bill, Tyson Kocian; L to R Second Row: Drew Kocian, Bob and Roxanne Tobias Melody and Don Martie, Edward Kocian; L to R First Row: Bobby and Becky Tobias, Matt and Scott Martie.*

Janet was born at Cudgetown, Illinois 18 June 1940. She is the third of five children of Russel Joseph Greer and Carolyn Marie Bahre. Janet is a full time wife, mother, and household manager. She has been active in the community serving as

a 4-H Leader, member of the County Youth Council, Perry County HEA Council, the Perry County Old Jail Museum, and a member of the Board of Trustees of the Swanwick Bethel Cemetery Association. She is also one of the founders of the Perry County Old Jail Museum. In her spare time she likes to quilt, sew, knit, crochet, and embroidery. She is a member of the St. Pauls United Church of Christ.

Bill and Janet are the parents of ten children. Roxanne Marie born 3 July 1960, Melody Dawn born 30 July 1961, Meschelle Denise born 30 December 1962, Edward Joseph born 18 April 1966, Everett Dale born 6 September 1967, Rena' Elizabeth born 30 November 1968, Frank Russell born 14 January 1971, William Drew born 14 August 1972, Gretchen Suzan born 21 July 1976, and Tyson Greer born 31 October 1977. Roxanne is a graduate of Millikin University with a Bachelors Degree of Science in Medicine. She married Robert Dean Tobias II 14 March 1986. They have two children: Robert Dean Tobias III born 19 August 1990 in Charlotte, North Carolina; Rebecca Kathleen Tobias born 29 February 1992 in Jonesboro, Georgia. At present they live in Fairburn, Georgia. Melody graduated from Southern Illinois University of Carbondale in 1983 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Food and Nutrition. She married Donald J. Martie 2 November 1985. They have two children: William Scott Martie born 16 August 1988 in Belleville, Illinois; Mathew Tyler born 3 November 1991 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Meschelle graduated in 1983 from Rend Lake College with an Associates Degree in Accounting. She married Roger Herman Brand 28 April 1985. Edward graduated from Rend Lake College in 1986 with an Associates Degree in Agriculture Machines. Everett graduated from Rend Lake College in 1988 with a Certificate in Welding. Rena' graduated from Rend Lake College in 1988 with an Associates Degree in Accounting. She has one child Chelsea born 31 January 1992 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Frank graduated from Rend Lake College in 1991 with an Associates Degree in Agriculture Machines. He married Christina M. McDonnough 22 March 1997. Drew graduated from Rend Lake College in 1992 with a Certificate in Welding. Gretchen graduated from Rend Lake College in 1996 with an Associates Degree in Accounting. She also received a degree in Medical Laboratory Technology in 1998. Tyson is attending Rend Lake College and will receive an Associates Degree in Agriculture Machines in 1999.

## JOHN AND FRED KOERBER

John Koerber was born near Jefferson, Missouri on 19 April 1850. His brother, Fred was born 5 October 1857 in Missouri. Perhaps the Koerbbers came to visit their Waterloo, Illinois relation and decided to make their home in the area. There are many Koerbbers buried in Sts. Peter and Paul Cemetery, Waterloo. John and Fred's parents were, Larralin and Anna Margaretha Koerber. There are two tombstones in the Waterloo Cemetery which read: Lorenz Koerber (18 April 1819 - 7 February 1897) and Anna M. Koerber (15 January 1820 - 15 December 1900). These might be the parents. Also other family members might be: Joseph J. Koerber, (19 March 1857 - 18 July 1911) and Katherine Koerber (17 June 1865 - 6 January 1920).

John married Adeline Catherine Huelsmann (see Adeline Huelsmann's Article) on 3 June 1879



at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church in Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois.

John and Adleine had 10 children which they raised on a farm four miles southwest of Du Quoin. The children went to school with their Huelsmann and Schleper cousins at Sacred Heart School in Du Quoin. (see Huelsmann and Schleper Articles)



L to R: Annie Schleper, Tony Huelsmann, Clara Huelsmann, Gert Schleper, Adelaide Koerber, Cecilia Huelsmann, John Koerber, Angleine Huelsmann, Lina Huelsmann, and Henry Schleper.

Adeline died at age 38 years, 5 months, 14 days. She is buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois beside a young son, Theodore.

John Koerber remarried and his second wife was widow Antonette Goetz in 1898. Mrs Antonette Goetz was the daughter of John and Johanna Arnstedt Decker. Antonette lived from 24 October 1860 - 2 March 1922. John died 23 July 1925 and buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery.

John's brother, Fred Koerber married Agnes Petre in Du Quoin in 1882. Their children were: 1) Lawrence (7 September 1882 - 6 February 1939) 2) Emma C (19 January 1884 - 17 November 1966 married Loren Mezo, Evanston, Illinois) 3) Peter (1891 - 25 January 1894) and 4) Helen (1898). All baptized at Sacred Heart and buried in Catholic Cemetery in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Fred Koerber lived in the Du Quoin area about 40 years and died 13 November 1927 in Du Quoin, buried in Catholic Cemetery. John and Fred had a sister, Mary, who moved to Belleville, Illinois. Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin

## KOON-EISENHAUER

Paula Ann Eisenhauer was born 21 March 1949 at Marshall Browning Hospital to Catherine (Seibert) Eisenhauer (15 September 1926 - 12 March 1993) and Lewis Elmer Eisenhauer (21 August 1923 of Pinckneyville, Illinois. Paula attended St. Bruno's Catholic elementary school and Pinckneyville High school. She married Roger Perkey of Du Quoin 12 September 1966. Their first daughter Rhonda Lynn was born 6 June 1967 at Marshall Browning Hospital. On 21 April 1969 their second daughter Christina Marie was born at Pinckneyville Hospital. The Perkeys moved to Dowell in 1970 and their first, son, Roger Dale Perkey, Jr. was born 6 February 1971. In March 1971 they moved to Galatia, Illinois. Their daughter Rhonda was diagnosed with a defective heart valve and had open heart surgery Easter Week 1971 at age 3 1/2. She made a complete recovery and the family moved to Marion in October 1971 and lived there for 5 years. In June 1976 the family moved back to Pinckneyville and their 4<sup>th</sup> and last child, Heather Dawn was born 21 October 1976 (the bicentennial baby). The Perkeys sepa-

rated and divorced 1 April 1987. Rhonda Lynn married Dallas Wayne Bigham 11 February 1989. They have two sons: Trenton Lee 15 September 1992 and Dalton Lewis 3 August 1996. They reside at 223 Linden, Du Quoin. Christina Marie married Brad Conte on 10 January 1988 and their son Brandon Christopher was born 24 March 1988. Their daughter, Kristen Brienne was born 14 May 1990. The couple divorced 24 January 1996. Chris and the children live in Pinckneyville. Roger Dale Jr married Jennifer Hampton 5 May 1993. They reside in Tamaroa, Illinois with their son, Roger Dale Perkey III. Heather Dawn married Brian Wilson 4 October 1997 in Sparta, Illinois. Their son Brenden Michael was born 30 November 1996. The couple reside at Cedar Avenue, Du Quoin, Illinois. In 1991 Paula met Jerry Wayne Koon 6 November 1941 and married 3 December 1992 at Chester, Illinois. The couple live in Red Bud, Illinois and have seven children and eight grandchildren between them. Jerry's children are Melinda Kay 8 April 1973, Richard Trask 29 July 1971 and Scott Jason 28 October 1976. Melinda's children are Allison Kay 30 December 1994 and Amanda Ray 13 June 1996.

## KRUG-SCHMALRIEDE

Emma E. Schmalriede born 27 July 1907 in Perry County the youngest child of Christian T. and Katherine (Laufer) Schmalriede was married 26 February 1927 at Pinckneyville to Henry Krug born 4 February 1903 at Steeleville, Illinois a son of Conrad and Pauline (Dietz) Krug. Emma Elisabeth Henrietta was baptized 14 September 1913 at St. Paul Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. Henry and Emma had 2 children: Marjorie Mae and Donald Dean. Henry died 24 November 1960 and is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery. (see Schmalriede-Laufer)

Marjorie Mae born 4 May 1928 at Ophiem, Illinois was baptized 30 July 1928 at St. Pauls Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. Marjorie was married 30 August 1958 at Kirkwood, Illinois to S. David Phelps. They have 3 children: Timothy D. born 25 May 1959 at Monmouth, Illinois, Kirk William born 13 January 1956 at Peoria, Illinois and Ann Elizabeth born 7 January 1964 at Peoria.

Donald D. born 10 February 1932 at Pinckneyville was baptized 14 August 1932 at St. Paul Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. Donald was married 18 April 1952 at Lake Bluff, Illinois to Caroline Higgins born 30 October 1932 at Lake Forest, Illinois a daughter of Harold and Florence (Harris) Higgins. They have 4 children: Dean Robert, Cheryl Lynn, Dale Thomas, and Crystal Marie.

Dean Robert born 14 September 1954 at Monmouth, Illinois was married 22 March 1975 at Kirkwood, Illinois to Kathy Garland born 9 March 1955 at Monmouth a daughter of Robert and Mildred (Campbell) Garland. They have 1 daughter: Tara Lynn born 2 September 1975 at Galesburg, Illinois.

Cheryl L. born 8 July 1957 at Monmouth was married 14 August 1976 at Kirkwood, Illinois to Michael Luppino born 15 July 1954 at Chicago, Illinois a son of Joseph and Patricia (Brennan) Luppino. They have 1 child: Justin Reade born 27 January 1977 at Springfield, Illinois.

Dale Thomas was born 14 October 1960 at Monmouth, died 16 October 1960 and buried in the City Cemetery at Monmouth, Illinois.

Crystal Marie was born 1 July 1963 at Monmouth. Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt

## KUHL-BRAATZ

August Kuhl was born in 1838. Henrietta Wilhelmina Braatz was born 23 February 1844, Kratznick, Germany to Fred and Johanna Braatz (Article in this book).



Wilhelmina Kuhl.

August Kuhl first married Christina, had one child, William F. Kuhl. Christina died. Then on 20 May 1874, August married Henrietta Wilhelmina Braatz. They had two children in Germany, Frank and Albert. In 1882, they came by boat to America. They were late getting across the ocean due to bad weather. They were afraid they were going to run out of food because everyone had to take their own food for the whole journey and it took longer than they had planned. They came through Wisconsin and were in Milwaukee, Wisconsin when their daughter Bertha was born. In 1884, they came by train to Perry County, Illinois and got off at Tamaroa.

Their homestead was in the Todd's Mill area. August was a farmer. Their grandson said they built their barn first and lived above it like people did in Germany. Then they built their house. While working on the log house, August got a rupture of some kind and sent to Germany for a rupture belt or truss. It came the day he was buried. He died 23 August 1886 or 87. August filed an intent to become a naturalized citizen. It is unknown if he actually did this. All three sons became naturalized citizens.

It is thought that Wilhelmina was a Lutheran in Germany. However, she attended the St. Mark's Evangelical Church in Du Bois, Washington County, Illinois because they spoke German. She read the bible every night. She made the best catfish stew using clabbered milk when someone got lucky at the creek.

Wilhelmina died 21 July 1930. She and August both died in Perry County and are buried in the Round Prairie Cemetery (have heard it called Goldman Cemetery), Perry County, Illinois.

1) William F. Kuhl, born 15 January 1872, Stoneburg (spelling uncertain, possibly Steinburg), Germany. Married Louisa A. Kreger, no known children. Died 2 November 1965, Chester, Randolph County, Illinois. Buried in Chapel Hill Cemetery, Du Bois. 2) Albert J. Kuhl, born 11 March 1875, Steinburg, Germany. Died 28 December 1956. Buried Round Prairie Cemetery. First wife or wives unknown but last wife was Lula Doolin (September 12, 1897 to July 29, 1971) Centralia Cemetery. Know children (order unknown): Wilford, Melvin, Dale, Ray, Faye (Kuhl) Hargarten, Virginia (Kuhl) Hall. 3) August Frank



Charles Kuhl, born 17 February 1878 (article in this book). 4) Bertha A. Kuhl, born 4 October 1882, Milwaukee, Wisconsin died 1 October 1978, New Athens, Illinois buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. Married Joseph P. Todd on 25 November 1902 in Todd's Mill. Children (5): Leonard F., Ralph J., William F., Orval C., Elcna W. (Todd) Anderson. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## KUHL-GLENN

August Theodore Kuhl ("Ted") was born 12 February 1905 in Todd's Mill, Perry County, Illinois to August Frank Charles and Anna Bertha (Hubler) Kuhl (article in this book). Ted graduated from Round Prairie School. They hitched up the wagon and went to Pinckneyville to get his diploma. What a day!



Elsie and Ted Kuhl.

Ted worked on his parents' farm when young. Later he worked for Templeton's Dairy. On 12 May 1926, he was on his way back from a field when the wagon he was on was hit by an I.C.R.R. train at Templeton's crossing. Ted was thrown about 40 feet which saved his life. The two horses were killed and the wagon completely destroyed.

Edna Elsie Glenn ("Elsie") was born 8 December 1905 in rural Oakdale, Washington, County, Illinois to Madison Elmer and Phoebe Ellen (Porter) Glenn (article in this book). When Elsie was 11, her father failed to come home one night. She was the oldest and had to go out in the night, knocking on doors, looking for her dad but he was already dead. What a thing to have to do at that age.

Elsie's mother later remarried and they moved to Rice, Perry County, Illinois across the field from Ted's Uncle Henry Stern so they saw each other around. The first time Ted took Elsie home was from a dance because, "She was the best dancer there." Over the years, people cleared the floor to watch them dance. Ted had a great love of horses and always took great care of his. He came to court Elsie in the prettiest horse and buggy. They married 26 April 1927 in Pinckneyville.

Elsie did incredible needlework, crochet, embroidery and quilting. She made breads and things out of anything like pumpkin and zucchini. Ted was always proud of her things.

Around 1933, Ted and Elsie started farming and did so almost the rest of their lives. They did everything together. If Ted was outside working, so was Elsie. If Elsie was inside canning or something, so was Ted. The last farm they lived on was in Conant, a small farm community west of Pinckneyville which they loved. They belonged to the Trinity Lutheran Church in Conant. When the mines came through, they moved to

Pinckneyville. Elsie died 26 April 1987 on their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Ted died 26 February 1994. Both died in Pinckneyville and are buried in the New Concord Cemetery in Rice. They had 4 children: 1) Helen Elsie (Kuhl) Hutchings (born 12 August 1927) (article in this book). 2) Elmer Frank Kuhl ("Doc"), born 19 September 1931, Pinckneyville. First married Helen, one child: Beryl Franklin Kuhl (born 19 June 1952). Elmer married second Connie Nickols. Children (2): Robert Vernon Kuhl (born 23 September 1955) and Rodney Theodore Kuhl (born 30 August 1962). 3) Juanita Mae Kuhl, born 18 March 1934, Pinckneyville. Married Lawrence James Kobus, 18 November 1950, Nashville, Illinois. Children (5): Susie Jane (Kobus) Boosinger (born 31 December 1951), Judith Ann Kobus (born 20 January 1953), Marilyn Jean (Kobus) Johnson (born 10 November 1954), Lawrence William Kobus (born 22 December 1955) and Daniel James Kobus (born 15 July 1957). 4) Norman Glenn Kuhl, born 22 September 1940, Pinckneyville. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## KUHL-HUBLER

August Frank Charles Kuhl ("Frank") was born 17 February 1878, in Steinburg, Germany to August and Henrietta Wilhelmina (Braatz) Kuhl (article in this book). In 1882, Frank came to America with his parents and siblings settling first in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. In 1884, the family came to Perry County getting off the train at Tamara. Frank was confirmed into the St. Mark's Evangelical Church in Du Bois, Washington County, Illinois on 10 April 1892. Frank became a naturalized citizen.



Ted, Frank, Anna and Harold Kuhl.

Anna Bertha Hubler was born 6 September 1883 in Three Mile Prairie, Perry County, Illinois to Ben Theodore and Amanda Bertha (Moss) Hubler (article in this book). Anna attended the Old Concord Church in Washington County, Illinois.

Frank and Anna married 18 November 1902 in Washington County, Illinois. Their homestead was in Todd's Mill, Perry County, Illinois. They built their home and barn and farmed there all their lives. Their property was on the north side of Frank's mother's land. Some say that Indians had camped on these two homesteads, especially by some small bluffs. The Kuhl's were always picking up Indian beads and arrow heads. Snakes were abundant. Once Frank stuck his hand in a brush pile to set it on fire and was bitten by a copperhead snake. When he didn't come home, Harold went to look for him. Frank almost died before he could get him to the doctor.

Frank had a blacksmith shop on his farm. He also whittled and once made a rocking horse out

of a solid log (not several pieces) for his grandson Elmer Kuhl. He made a doll bed and table and chairs for his granddaughter Helen Kuhl. Anna could really sew. She took pieces of material from old clothes and coats and would make ones like new. Anna sang and could be heard by her neighbors singing "Amazing Grace" while gathering eggs.

Frank and Anna traded at both Suchomski Stores in Todd's Mill which were almost right at the end of the lane to get to their homestead. John Suchomski had a store on the north side of the road. Later his son, Louis Suchomski, started a store across the street which was at first just in his kitchen. Anna had a pretty basket she put eggs in to take to sell.

Anna died 6 October 1944 in St. Vincent's Hospital, St. Louis, Missouri. Frank died 13 July 1969 in The Community Hospital, Pinckneyville, Illinois. Both are buried in the New Concord Cemetery in Rice, Perry County, Illinois.

They had 4 children: 1. August Theodore Kuhl, born 12 February 1905 (article in this book). 2. Harold Oliver Kuhl, born 27 June 1907, never married, farmer died 3 April 1978 in St. Louis, Missouri, buried New Concord Cemetery. 3. Ilora Janice Kuhl (8 October 1914 to 19 October 1925). Ilora attended Round Prairie School. When she died, 4 girls were pall bearers at her funeral. Buried New Concord Cemetery. 4. Herbert ("Bert") Frank Kuhl (6 March 1917 to 18 August 1985), served in World War II, married Mrs. Frances Webb on 18 December 1950, one child, Linda Mae Kuhl, born 8 February 1952. Frances had three children by a previous marriage: Judith, David and Michael Webb. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## KUHNERT-ROETHE

Roger Lee Kuhnert (born 10 February 1940 in Pinckneyville, Illinois) is the first son of Lee Robert (born 13 March 1917) and Goldie Esther (Magerkurth) Kuhnert (born 26 August 1921 died 4 December 1984). Grandparents were August and Elizabeth (Loos) Kuhnert and Robert And Phoebe (Porter) Magerkurth. He had two brothers: Alen and Virgil and one sister: Gloria Conroy.

Mary Elaine (Roethe) Kuhnert (born 20 March 1942 in Pinckneyville, Illinois) is the first daughter of Herbert K. (born 24 February 1916) and Edna C. (Behm) Roethe (born 17 March 1921). Grandparents were Otto and Christina (Beck) Roethe and Julius and Emma Sophia Mary (Lueders) Behm. She has one sister, Linda Caupert.

Roger and Mary were united in marriage on 17 August 1963 at the Zion Lutheran Church in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Roger is self employed (lawn service and opening graves). Mary is an employee of Universal Music and Video Distribution since April 1969.

## KUHNERT-SMITH

Kevin Dennis Kuhnert (born 22 June 1954 second child of Leonard and Helen Joyce (Hickman) Kuhnert (born 28 July 1928) married Kathryn Sue Smith Wagner (born 8 August 1954) on 5 September 1981 at her parents home. Kathryn was the third child and only daughter of Mervin Fred Smith (16 March 1925) and Helen Kathryn (Hallbauer) Smith (born 16 January 1928).

Kevin attended elementary school in Dwight, Illinois and graduated from Pinckneyville High



School in 1972. Kevin has his own construction company K & H Construction with his brother, Steve, and a friend. They have a good business and are busy building new houses most of the time.

Kathryn attended elementary school in Pinckneyville District 50 and graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1972. She graduated from Eastern Illinois University in 1976 with a major in Elementary Education.



*Kevin and Kathryn Kuhnert, Jeff, Aaron and Nicole.*

She started a Day Care in Percy, Illinois with a friend and worked at that a few years after her first son, Jeffrey Alan Wagner, was born on (21 March 1977). A slump in the economy caused this to close.

In 1981 Kathryn and Jeffrey moved to Pinckneyville, Illinois. Kevin and Kathryn have two children: Aaron Michael (born 28 December 1982) and Nicole Marie (born 21 June 1985).

Kathryn is now teaching at Trico District 176 and in 1996 she received her Masters Degree from SIU-C in Special Education.

They are members of the First Baptist Church of Pinckneyville and are very active there as Sunday School Teachers and Kevin serves as a deacon and trustee there.

Aaron and Nicole are students at Pinckneyville District 50. Aaron is on the basketball team and Nicole is active in band and chorus.

Jeff is in his Junior year at Union University in Jackson, Tennessee. He is majoring in Elementary Education. He loves to play his guitar and has written several songs. He works with Kevin in the construction business during the summer and on breaks.

## KUJAWA-HILL

Joseph John Kujawa was born 17 July 1890 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois, the son of John and Katherine (Ignaszak) Kujawa Polish immigrants. He died 16 August 1962 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois at the age of 72.



*L to R Back Row: Joseph Kujawa and George Kellerman; L to R Front Row: Ethel (Hill) Kujawa and Helen Ballheimer.*

Joe was a farmer. He could speak fluent Polish and could play the banjo well. He was married on 17 January 1917 to Ethel (Hill) Kujawa. Ethel was the daughter of Sarah (Owen) Hill and Evan L. Hill of Pinckneyville. Ethel was born in Pinckneyville on 14 December 1899 and she died at Marshall Browning Hospital, Du Quoin, Illinois on 22 November 1992. She is buried beside her husband, Joe, at St. Bruno Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Joe and Ethel lived all of their life in Perry County. They farmed with horses and Ethel would help plow in the fields. They raised hogs and cattle and every year on 1 January, New Year's Day, was butchering day. They would butcher hogs and relatives would gather on that day to help. Ethel raised chickens so they had their own eggs and poultry at hand year around. They milked cows by hand.

They had three sons: Sylvester John, born 2 June 1917; Edward Dale, born 6 August 1919; and Paul Gilbert, born 24 May 1923. One son, Carl and one daughter Isabelle died in infancy.

Joe and Ethel were members of St. Bruno Catholic Church in Pinckneyville.

## KUJAWA-IGNASZAK

John Kujawa was born 24 June 1850. His death certificate states that he was born in Posen, Germany. He and his wife, Katherine were Polish immigrants. He became a Naturalized Citizen of the United States on 1 November 1879 and then renounced all allegiance to the Emperor of Prussia. He died 19 January 1934 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*L to R Back Row: Leona, Hattie, John Henry, Peter, Victoria, John Kujawa, (father) seated on right; L to R Front Row: Anna, Katherine (mother) holding Sophia Joe, Helen and Frances? Mary is missing from photo.*

John Kujawa married Katherine (Ignaszak) Kujawa in Poland and they had one child while in Poland named Hattie Clara born 15 October 1871. John Kujawa, his wife Katherine and daughter, Hattie set sail for America in circa 1873. He went to Toledo, Ohio and he came to Pinckneyville and "staked off" approximately 180 acres of land five miles north of Pinckneyville. He then sent for his wife and daughter from Toledo and lived in Perry County for the rest of their lives.

They had the following children: Hattie Clara born in Poland 15 October 1871; Leona Agnes, born 26 June 1875 in Pinckneyville, Illinois, Victoria born in 1877 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Pete George, born 25 December 1878 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Anna, born 14 August 1881 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; John Henry, born 4 August 1883 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Frances born 23 July 1886 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Helen Marie born 9 No-

vember 1888 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Joseph John born 17 July 1890 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois; Mary A., born in 1891; and Sophia born 20 November 1893 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois. John and Katherine had four other children who died in infancy which included one set of twins.

John and Katherine lived the rest of their life north of Pinckneyville on the family farm. There they labored, loved, farmed and raised their children. Katherine died on 31 December 1941 and she is buried beside her husband, John at Todd's Mill Cemetery, (Todd's Mill) Nashville, Illinois.

## KUJAWA-REEDER

Marilyn Judy (Kujawa) Reeder was born 22 May 1943, the daughter of Sylvester and Thelma (Slusher) Kujawa. Maternal grandparents were David Earl and Sarah (Reese) Slusher of Pinckneyville, Illinois and paternal grandparents were Joe and Ethel (Hill) Kujawa of rural Pinckneyville, Illinois. Marilyn has two brothers: Lester Douglas Kujawa of Du Quoin, Illinois and Johnny (John) Kujawa of Atchinson, Kansas.



*Marilyn and Cecil Reeder; L to R Children: Denise and Loretta.*

Marilyn grew up 4.5 miles north of Pinckneyville. She attended a one-room country schoolhouse by the name of Eichholz and graduated after eight years. She then attended Pinckneyville Community High School and graduated in 1961.

Marilyn was married on 28 July 1962 to Cecil Elwood Reeder of White County, Enfield, Illinois. He was the son of John Harrison Reeder and Maude Evelyn (Russell) Reeder both from White County, Enfield, Illinois. They were married at Oak Grove Baptist Church north of Pinckneyville with Donna Harriss as maid of honor and Lester Kujawa as best man.

Cecil and Marilyn had two daughters: Loretta Ann born 7 February 1964 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois and Denise Lynn, born 12 October 1966 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois. Marilyn's husband, Cecil, developed kidney problems in 1969 and was on kidney dialysis for three months and later died on 3 January 1970 at John Cochran Veterans Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri at the young age of 27 years old. Cecil was a member of Oak Grove Baptist Church north of Pinckneyville and was song director and sang tenor in the choir until his death.. He worked at U.S. Gypsum plant east of Pinckneyville, Illinois. Cecil is buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## KUJAWA-SLUSHER

Sylvester John Kujawa was born 2 June 1917 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois, the son



of Joseph (Joe) Kujawa and Ethel (Hill) Kujawa. He died 2 November 1987 in Pinckneyville, Illinois at the age of 70.

Sylvester married Thelma (Slusher) Kujawa on 29 February 1936 in Washington County, Nashville, Illinois. Thelma was born 21 January 1920 in St. Clair County, Freeburg, Illinois. At the age of three, her parents moved to Perry County on Pyatt Blacktop Road. Thelma was the daughter of David Earl and Sarah (Reese) Slusher.



*Sylvester and Thelma Kujawa.*

Sylvester worked in 1936 on construction of Route 127 north of Pinckneyville. It was a dirt road and nearly impassable during bad weather. He helped finish concrete for that road. He then started farming and was a very successful and dedicated farmer. He repaired most of his machinery. He was an active member of Oak Grove Baptist Church and was a deacon and song director for many years. He also helped lay brick for the remodeling of the Perry County Courthouse in the late 1930's. He was very musical and could play the accordion, guitar and piano. He was athletic and played on a softball league and held the position of pitcher and threw a wicked curve ball that almost no one could hit.

Thelma helped with farming and was an avid gardener. She also liked chickens, guineas, geese and ducks and raised them for food. She and Sylvester raised cattle and hogs and did their own butchering of hogs with the help of relatives. They milked cows by hand. Thelma liked to write poems. She was an active member of Oak Grove Baptist Church and helped in Bible School, Sunday School and in the kitchen.

Sylvester and Thelma raised three children: Lester Douglas, born 28 October 1936; Marilyn Judy, born 22 May 1943; and Johnny Ray (John) born 25 September 1953.

Sylvester is buried in Oak Grove Cemetery north of Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## LAIRD-TIMPNER

Timothy Wayne, the second son of Cecil Carroll and Edna (nee Arnett) Laird was born 18 May 1952 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Tim attended Nation School for 1<sup>st</sup> grade; Consolidated School District 212 for 2<sup>nd</sup> grade; Consolidated School District 204 for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> grades; Marion Jr. High School for 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grades; and Pinckneyville Community High School where he graduated in 1970. He attended Rend Lake College for two semesters studying drafting. Tim then worked at Spartan Printing in Sparta, Illinois until he enlisted in the U.S. Marines where he served from October 1972 to October 1976. After his discharge from the Marines, Tim spent time working for a construction company in southern California. In 1979 he moved to

Houston, Texas and then to Dallas in 1981 to work in construction. In 1983, he moved to Oklahoma to do more construction work. While there he began working as a framing carpenter. He then moved to Franklin, Tennessee in 1985 to continue house framing. In September of 1986 he returned to Pinckneyville and began working as a correctional officer at Menard Penitentiary in Chester, Randolph County, Illinois. He now works as an investigator at Menard. Tim had been active in the Young Republicans group in Perry County, Illinois.



*L to R: Tracey, Shelby, Tim and Travis Laird.*

Tracey Ellen was welcomed as the second child and second daughter to the William Edward and Helen Dorothy (nee Van Voorhis) Timpner family on 17 February 1957. Tracey was born at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She attended and graduated from Pinckneyville Public School and Pinckneyville Community High School (1975). She worked at several local businesses including Essex, P.N. Hirsch, and Pizza Hut. She then began working as a veterinary assistant for Dr. Bob Graves (DVM) and then Dr. James Bates (DVM). In May 1988, Tracey accepted a position at the Du Quoin Fairgrounds as an employee of the Illinois Department of Agriculture where she currently coordinates the special events and other areas for the annual Du Quoin State Fair.

Tim and Tracey married on 22 September 1990 in a small private ceremony conducted on the front porch of the Timpner family farm house south of Pinckneyville. Shelby Paige Laird brought joy to the Laird home when she was born on 25 March 1993 in Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois. Another burst of energy joined the Laird family when they welcomed Travis Timpner Laird on 13 February 1997. Travis was also born in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Tim enjoys caring for his cows and horses. Tracey enjoys vintage movies from the 1930's and 1940's, quilting, and collecting Titanic memorabilia.

Tim's and Tracey's love of horses and rural life appears to have been passed to their children. Shelby and Travis love being around their horses and cows. Travis is fascinated with tractors and trucks and Shelby has a love of and fascination with dinosaurs.

## LAUFER-KAFFENBERGER

Nicolaus Laufer born 11 May 1831 in Germany was the eldest of 8 children of Johannes and Elisabetha (Hammel) Laufer. Johannes Laufer was the son of Jacob and Elisabeth (Hammel) Laufer. Just 2 of the intermarriages between the Hammel and Laufer families continue up to the present time. These families

are covered in the 'Hammel-Laufer Families' published in 1978 by Martha Mae Schmidt.

Nicolaus Laufer was married 11 August 1864 at Centralia, Illinois to Anna Regina Kaffenberger born 7 March 1946 near Darmstadt, Germany. Her parents names are unknown. Nine children were born to Nicolaus and Anna R.: Nicolaus Johannes, George, Elisabetha, Anna Katharine Emma, Johannes Philipp, Clara, Johann Phillip, and Heinrich George. Nicolaus died 9 December 1879 at Centralia and is buried there. Anna was 2<sup>nd</sup> married 12 July 1882 to Heinrich Adler born June 1839 in Minden Prussia, and 3<sup>rd</sup> married Christian Schmalriede. (see Pg 300 Vol 1).

A daughter Elisabeth Adler was born to Heinrich and Ann Regina (Kaffenberger) Adler on 6 April 1883 and died 21 February 1884. Heinrich Adler died 6 May 1884 at Centralia, Illinois. Anna Regina died 17 January 1921 near Pinckneyville and is buried in the Campbell Cemetery, Tamaroa, Illinois.

Nicolaus Johannes born 29 September or October 1865 was christened and confirmed in the Evangelical Church at Centralia. He died 25 August 1879.

George born 29 September 1867 was married 5 August 1896 to Johanna P. Valentin born 16 March 1863 in St. Clair County, a daughter of John D. and Elizabeth (Brandt) Valentin. Johanna died 10 July 1932 and George died 24 July 1951. (see LAUFER-VALENTIN).

Elizabeth born 11 March 1869 was christened in St. Peters Evangelical Church at Centralia and died 8 March 1874 at Centralia.

Anna was born 12 October 1871 and died 27 April 1873.

Katharine E. born 26 May 1873 at Centralia was married 18 June 1891 at Pinckneyville to Christian Theobald Schmalriede born 6 February 1869 a son of Christian and Louisa (Holts) Schmalriede. Katharine was christened and confirmed Evangelical at Centralia, Illinois. Christian was confirmed Evangelical at Pinckneyville in 1882. Katharine died 20 March 1945 and Christian died 29 December 1948 at Pinckneyville. Both are buried in the Mueller Hill Cemetery. (see SCHMALRIEDE-LAUFER).

Johannes Philipp born 1 December 1874 was christened at Centralia in 1874 and confirmed at Pinckneyville in 1890. He died 14 September 1901.

Clara born 4 August 1876 was baptized 16 August 1876 at Centralia. She apparently died in infancy.

Johann Phillip born about 1878 was married in 1921 to Anna Hamburg. They had 1 adopted daughter Beulah May born 26 January 1925 and died 24 October 1939. Buried at Sesser, Illinois. Anna died in 1950 and Johann Phillip died about 1964. He is buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Centralia, Illinois.

Heinrich George born 14 January 1880 was confirmed in 1895 at Pinckneyville. He never married and died 9 December 1964. He is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## LAUFER-VALENTIN

George Laufer the 2<sup>nd</sup> son of Nicolaus and Anna Regina (Kaffenberger) Laufer was born 29 September 1867, baptized 31 July 1870 and confirmed in 1881 both Evangelical at Centralia, Illinois. George was married 5 August 1896 at



Pinckneyville to Johanna Phillippine Valentin born 16 March 1863 in St. Clair County, Illinois a daughter of John D. and Elizabeth (Brandt) Valentin. Johanna was confirmed in 1876 at St. Pauls Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. George and Johanna had 3 children: Heinrich Christian, John R. and Mary Emma. Johanna died 19 July 1932 and George died 24 July 1951. (see LAUFER-KAFFENBERGER)

Heinrich C. born 28 November 1897 at Tamaroa, Illinois was baptized 30 January 1898 and confirmed in 1914 Evangelical at St. Pauls in Pinckneyville. He never married and died 16 August 1949.

John R. born 25 September 1899 in Perry County was confirmed in 1914 Evangelical at Pinckneyville. He never married and died 14 March 1977.

Mary Emma born 28 March 1903 in Perry County was baptized 18 October 1903 and confirmed in 1920 at St. Pauls Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. She also never married and died 22 July 1975 at Pinckneyville.

All members of this family are buried in the Mueller Hill Cemetery at Pinckneyville.

Johanna Phillippine (Valentin) Laufer was the 5<sup>th</sup> child of Johann Daniel Valentin born about 1831 in Umstadt, Hessen Darmstadt a son of Dr. George Valentin. Johann Daniel was married 6 July 1851 in St. Clair County to Lisette Brand born about 1833 in Ausbach Nassau. In the 1860's J. D. Valentin and Christ Brand owned land in Section 7 of Marissa Township West of Hotz Rd and south of Route 13 (between Hillstown and Lenzburg, Illinois). Johann Daniel and Lisette had at least 5 children: Catherine born about 1852, Margaret, born about 1855, George born about 1857 (see Pg 341 Vol 1), Elionore born 19 November 1859 was baptized at Belleville, and Johanna Phillippine born 16 March 1863 was baptized at Darmstadt, Illinois. Living with this family on the 1860 census was a George Valentin born about 1792 who might have been Johann Daniel's father. This family apparently moved to the Pinckneyville area prior to 1873, as George and Mary Valentin were confirmed at St. Pauls Evangelical Church in Pinckneyville in 1873.

The Christ Brand family lived on property adjoining the Johann Daniel Valentin family in St. Clair County as stated above. Christ Brand born about 1825 in Prussia was married 6 July 1851 to Eva Wien born about 1827 in Hessen Darmstadt. Their children on the 1860 census were: John born about 1852, George born about 1854, Mary about 1856 and Jacob born about 1860. It is assumed that Christ Brand was brother to Lisette Brand who married J. D. Valentin as they were married on the same day. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt*

## LAWRENCE-WEST

Jill West Lawrence (09 October 1947) is the youngest daughter of E. W. "Barney" West (05 January 1913-22 March 1996) Thelma Estelle Vance West (07 April 1911-14 March 1984), past residents of Tamaroa, Illinois. She graduated from Tamaroa Grade School in 1961, Du Quoin Township High School in 1965, and Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in 1969. At that time, she was employed as a junior high language arts teacher in New Athens, Illinois, and is currently teaching in her 29<sup>th</sup> year in the same district but in the new addition completed at the start of this school year.

George Lawrence (28 September 1946) is the eldest son of Ed Lawrence (16 July 1918-02 June 1989) and Gustava McCrite (29 November 1928) of Tamms, Illinois. He graduated both from elementary school and high school in Tamms. At Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, he completed his Bachelor of Science in 1968 and his Master of Science in administration in 1974. From 1968 until 1986, George taught social studies at new Athens community School district #60 in the junior high school. Since 1986, he has been employed as the elementary principal.



*George, Mandy, and Jill Lawrence.*

George and Jill were married on 17 August 1973, at Paradise Baptist Church in rural Tamaroa. One daughter, Amanda "Mandy" Kathleen Lawrence was born to them on 07 December 1981. She is currently a sophomore in New Athens High School, where she is playing three varsity sports—softball, volleyball, and basketball. During her freshman year in softball, she was one of the leading hitters in the Metro-East area and was selected both on the Cahokia Conference's and Metro-East area's second teams.

The family resides in their home built on six and one-half acres between New Athens and Freeburg. All are members of St. John United Church of Christ in New Athens, Illinois. *Submitted by George and Jill Lawrence.*

## LEE

Nancy Lee Hirsch, a member of the prominent Lee family of the east Pinckneyville area, can claim Robert E. Lee of Civil War fame as her 7<sup>th</sup> great grandfather. The Lees can trace their ancestry back to Colonial America.



*L to R: Norman Dean Lee, Clyde Lee and "Dickie" Lee; Standing in front: Nancy (Lee) Hirsch.*

Richard Lee, founder of the Lee family in the year 1640, came from England. Richard Lee's second son, Arthur Lee, Ambassador to France, persuaded the French to help the colonies in their struggle for independence.

Richard Henry Lee dictated the conclusion of the Declaration of Independence to Thomas

Jefferson, and this was adopted by the first congress. He also signed the Declaration of Independence, and his brother, Francis Lightfoot was also a signer of the Declaration, so the Lee family had more to do with our laws than any other family. The Lee family were the aristocrats of that time. The family has furnished our military divisions with generals, captains, lieutenants, colonels and Robert E. Lee who is idolized by the South today and monuments to his memory are erected in various cities.

General Lee's son Fitzhugh fathered Issac Lee, who along with his ten year old son Peter immigrated to Illinois from Jackson County, Tennessee, about 1830. Peter's children were Richard Lee, John Drake Lee, Virginia Lee and Sara Lee. From these children of Peter Lee can most of the Perry County Lees trace their roots. Peter's oldest son Richard fathered Richard (Dickie) Lee, Alfred Lee, and Elnora Lee (Blakely). From Peter's son John Drake many of the Tamaroa Lees can trace their ancestry.

Richard (Dickie) Lee was the father of Clyde Lee, Nancy's grandfather. Other siblings of Clyde were Lawrence Lee, Ward Lee, George Lee and Ervin Lee, all now deceased. Clyde's children were Norman Dean (Nancy's father) Robert Lee, Nina Lee (Huggins), and Roger Lee. All of these Lees live in the Pinckneyville or Tamaroa area except Robert (Bob), who lives in Crossville, Tennessee, very near the area from which his 3<sup>rd</sup> great-grandfather, Issac Lee had emigrated in 1830.

Other descendants of Clyde Lee are Nancy's brother Gerald Lee and his son, Austin, Roger's son Rodney and his daughter, Sherrie, Nina's children, Brenda Withbracht, Donna Bagley, and Stephen Huggins.

Nancy's father, Norman Dean and wife Emma Huggins are a retired coal miner and factory worker. He is presently the oldest living Lee that we are aware of in Perry County descended from Robert E. Lee. Nancy is married to Donald Hirsch, a former school teacher and presently County Clerk of Perry County. They are the parents of four sons, Tim, Barry, Shannon and Collin.

The Hirsch's live on a small farm near the Du Quoin City Lake, on the same 40 acres that Nancy's great-great-great grandfather, Peter Lee once owned in the 1800's!

## LEWIS-CHURCHILL

David Leon Lewis was born 15 May 1955 in Christopher, Franklin County, the fourth son of Kenneth and Vivian (Wilson) Lewis. David's ancestors emigrated from Wales to North Carolina and settled in Franklin County in the early 1800's. David's family moved to Perry County, four miles east of Pinckneyville in 1963 and moved back to Franklin County in 1977. They had five sons: Roger Dale born 14 January 1951, Steven Edward born 22 July 1952, Terry Wayne born 11 September 1953, David Leon and Kendall Ray, born 30 September 1959. Kendall died in a car accident on 19 May 1978. All five graduated from Pinckneyville High School.

David has taught eighth grade math at Ward Middle School since 1977. He is a member of Nine Mile Baptist Church where he serves as a Deacon, Youth Director and teaches Sunday School every Sunday morning at the Fairview Nursing Center in Du Quoin. He enjoys playing most sports, computers, gardening, genealogy, and spending time with his loved ones.



Deborah Sue Churchill was born 3 April 1958 in Canton, Fulton County, Illinois. The third child of Donald Gene and Elda Frances (Mitchell) Churchill. Debi has two sisters and two brothers. Lucille Marie born 22 February 1954, Gerald Eugene born 24 February 1955, Deborah Sue, Dwight David born 7 October 1961, and Christine Renee born 20 August 1963. Debi's family moved to the area southwest of Tamaroa from East Peoria in 1975. After staying behind in East Peoria until graduation in 1976, Debi joined her family. Debi enjoys history and appreciates her heritage including their connections with the Meriwethers and Sir Winston Churchill and Sir John Churchill, Duke of Marlborough.

Debi began working part time in May 1989 at her church as secretary. She helps David lead their youth group, teaches the high school girl's Sunday School and also helps with the Youth of the Nine Mile Baptist Association. Debi met David at Nine Mile in 1976 where they later married 13 August 1977 and have raised their children, Tarah and Adam.

David and Debi lived in Du Quoin from 1979 until 1989. They had Tarah Brooke, born 8 May 1981 at Marshall Browning. Tarah is a junior at Du Quoin High School. Then came Adam Levi, born 9 October 1982. He is a freshman at Du Quoin High school. Both are active in school and church activities. The Lewis' moved to the beautiful countryside of Sunfield in 1989 where they now live. They hope their home will always be in Perry County.

## LINZEE-MEYER

Gertrude Marie Linze Meyer, born 7 March 1907, daughter of John Linze, (born near Freeburg, Illinois, 3 December 1866; died 3 April 1938) and Mathilda Hannah Louise Morgenstern (born in Monroe County, Illinois, on 9 December 1870; died 2 January 1941) married George Kenneth Meyer, born 15 August 1906; died 17 September 1967. To that union were born 10 children, all in Pinckneyville: Evelyn Gertrude Meyer Ferguson, born 3 March 1926; Kenneth Dale Meyer, born 1 September 1927 - died 29 December 1980; Lowell George Meyer, born 20 September 1929; Bernadine Marie Meyer Ray, born 2 November 1931 - died 21 April 1997; Marilyn Rose Meyer Queen born 12 January 1934; Shirley Elaine Meyer Shaw, born 9 August 1936; Baby girl still-born 22 February 1938; Donna Diane Meyer Boswell, born 19 August 1942; Mervin Eugene Meyer, born 30 October 1944; and Larry Ross Meyer, born 16 December 1947.



George Linze and Gertrude Marie Linze.

Gertrude's parental grandparents were Henry Linze (born in Mainz, Germany on 2 August 1835; died 4 December 1901) and Catharina Ross Linze

(born in Griesheim Hessen-Darmstadt, Germany on 30 September 1835; died 28 September 1914). Catharina's parents were Jacob Ross (born in Griesheim Hessen-Darmstadt, Germany on 22 December 1804) and Catharina Metchen (born in Mainz, Germany 9 May 1810).

Gertrude's maternal grandparents were David Theobald Morgenstern (born in Bavaria region of Germany on 18 March 1840; died 24 February 1914) and Henrietta Schmalriede Morgenstern (born in the Westphalia region of Germany, 17 May 1847; died 12 February 1938).

Gertrude is the last surviving of 8 brothers and sisters, all born in Perry County, Illinois. Gertrude has lived her entire life in Perry County and was raised on a farm mid-way between Pinckneyville and Du Quoin. She has 21 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren, and 1 great-great grandchild.

## LIPE-McLAUGHLIN

John Robert Lipe was born on 12 January 1825, in Liberty (now Rockwood area) of Jackson County Illinois, and died on 20 March 1885 at about age 60 years and 2 months. His father was Aaron Lipe (born circa 1800, died 24 January 1847). His mother was Emelia "Mollie" Quillman (born ?, died ?).

John R was married to Narcissa McLaughlin on 12 December 1844. Narcissa was born on 26 January 1829 and died on 2 February 1932. Both are buried in the McElvain Cemetery, Perry County Illinois, having lived most of their lives in the area south of Du Quoin in Perry County Illinois.

They had a large family of 12 children born in Perry County Illinois. As follows: Isaac (born 8 May 1847-24 October 1864/65); Marion Francis (born 26 January 1849-2 February 1932); Robert (born 15 September 1854-died ? in Orange County California); Tim (born 11 December 1858-21 September 1930); George Thomas (born 21 October 1868-died 23 February 1937); Mamie "Maaim" (born 22 September 1866-died 1956 in Wyoming); Viola "Vie" R. (born 3 November 1860-died 1940); Julia (born 26 November 1850-died ?); Alma O. (born 28 February 1872-died ?); Harriet (born 16 November 1856-died 14 October 1857, at age 11 months); Vilena (born 17 March 1863-died 30 June 1864 at age 1 year 3 months); John (4 April 1865-7 April 1865 at 3 days of age)

John Robert served in the Civil War for 4 years. He was in Co. A of the 31<sup>st</sup> ("dirty-first") Infantry. In the summer of 1997, an affidavit was discovered in the Perry County Court House basement that provided some answers to some family questions. It was written by a 31<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regimental surgeon to help the widow Narcissa obtain her pension from the Federal Government. Dr. Doer was from Du Quoin also, and he knew John R. well.

Isaac had run away from home and (apparently lying about his age) to join the Civil War on the Union side. Maurice W. Lipe, often told the story while reading the tombstone inscription at the back of the McElvain Cemetery. He told of how Isaac had contracted cholera, was made even worse by not receiving proper treatment, and passed away back home.

Dr. Doer reported that when Isaac sickened, John R. had sent him home to die, choosing to stay on duty with his troops. John R. was reported to be in very ill health himself, but stayed on his

post of duty. Dr. Doer was able to endure the horror of the war and tend to the sick and wounded until the unit was disbanded in 1865, the end of the war of the rebellion. John R. was also the "31<sup>st</sup>" when it was disbanded in Washington D.C.

Marion F. married Martha Reynolds on 28 September 1871. Their family consisted of Ema Schneider, Henrey, and Pearl Milligan. They lived on the east side of Beacoup Creek, on the south of Perry County Illinois.

Tillman "Tim" was married twice: 1<sup>st</sup> to Ellen N. Pyle, 2<sup>nd</sup> to Flora Milligan.

George Thomas married Mary Logan Walker. They had 3 children: Ina Dankliff, Geneva Harvy/Dunn, and Maurice Walker.

Mamie married first to Joe Walker, separated, and married 2<sup>nd</sup> to Ed Durum. They lived in Wyoming.

Viola married first a man named Moore. Her husband was killed in a horse "runaway" accident. She was holding their young son John in her arms, and they survived. Then she married John H. Goforth on 1 October 1885.

Julia 1<sup>st</sup> married Elijah Wells. Their children were Walter, William W., John, and Lewis. Then she married E. C. Whittsett. The children were: E. C. (Kim ?) and Alfa Gourley. Then a 3<sup>rd</sup> marriage followed, with no children.

Alma O. married Pete H. Walker.

## LEONARD LIPE, REV. WAR VETERAN

For years I collected information on Rev. War veterans in Perry County. Imagine my surprise when I discovered one of them was my ancestor. I had much material about Leonard Lipe and research brought more. The earliest found was:

I. Hans Leup, married 1635 to Ursula Vogelsanger, Beggingen, Switzerland, had 8 children. The family are said to have been a part of the Reformation movement.

II. Melchior Leup, born 28 November 1644, died 11 February 1724, married 14 August 1663/6 to Margaretha Muller, Reichen, Ger. She was born 1641, died 25 December 1704.

III. Hans Rudolph Leippe, born 21 October 1668, married 2/21 November 1689 to Maria Agnes Orth, had four children. Hans was a baker.

IV. Johannes Leipp, born or baptized 5 August 1696, died 1754/56, married 2 November 1724, Anna Margaretha Hertzel, baptized 24 September 1702, died between 1756-63. This couple were the immigrants, coming to Philadelphia on the 'William and Sarah' with about 300 others of Lutheran Reformed faith, escaping German religious reform. There is a possibility that father, Hans Rudolph, came also. Allegiance was sworn at the Philadelphia courthouse. The couple remained in York County Pennsylvania all of their lives. Seven children were born to them.

V. Johannes Gottfried (John Godfrey) Leib, born 1740, died prior to October 1791, first of this line born in America, married Barbara Rudisill, 22 December 1761 in York County Pennsylvania. It is believed Johannes was a Rev. War soldier in Fourth Co., Capt. Domes, Fourth Ballalion, Lancaster, Pennsylvania Militia. They moved to North Carolina in 1764 between births of sons Jonas and Leonard. Three more sons and two daughters completed the family.

VI. Leonard Lipe, born 5 June 1763/5, North Carolina, died 4 April 1848, Perry County Illinois. There is some question about the birth date as the



bible containing such information was "destroyed or lost" during the Rev. War. In 1781, he volunteered from North Carolina and spent ten months in service. In 1832, he applied for a soldier's pension and was given \$33.34 per annum.

There are many discrepancies in Leonard's history. The late Elizabeth Spurgeon, Perry County historian, said he came to Illinois about 1818/18. He had married Barbara Wentz, born North Carolina 1767, died October 1849 in Perry County, exact burial places also questionable, first at Nine Mile, later moved to present Nine Mile Cemetery, but no markers.

Leonard and family came to Jackson County Illinois and by 1830 was in Perry County, a resident of Nine Mile Prairie. He and Barbara gave land for a meeting house there. Some records say eight children came with the family but this researcher found only seven: Rachel 1786-1848, married John Bost; Jonas 1790-1869, married Ester Lipe; Barbara 1795-1880, married Daniel Dry; Leonard Jr. 1801-1852, married Katharine Davis; Jacob J. 1803-1846, married Rosena Davis; and two other sons. Daughter Rachel, 1786-1848, had married John Bost in 1803 and stayed in Rowan County North Carolina. John was great-great grandfather of Inez Bost, Mrs. Leonard Eisenhower. *Submitted by Inez Bost Eisenhower*

## LIVELY-KNAPP

Alonzo, was the great-great grandson of Joseph Lively who was born around 1763 and came to the country with his brother from Ireland around 1800. They settled in Abbeyville, South Carolina for a short time, but soon came to Holts Prairie, in Perry County, in 1805 and made this their home.

Alonzo was born to William and Esther Lively in September of 1874. Alonzo was married to May Knapp in February of 1896. A son, George was born 23 December 1903.



*Bertha Lively, Children and Grandchildren.*

George married Bertha Meese in July of 1922. They lived with George's parents on the southwest edge of Tamaroa.

Alonzo was killed 5 July 1928 at the age of 53 by his son, George who was cleaning his gun when it discharged, killing him instantly. He was cleared of any charges pertaining to the shooting.

May Lively died of kidney failure in April of 1940. George and Bertha continued to live in the old home place, and raised 7 children there. George was killed in a cave in at the coal mine where he worked, the date 15 March 1945. He was 42 years old.

Bertha died on 22 September 1983 in Du Quoin nursing home at the age of 80. Their children are as follows: Ruth born 19 April 1923. She married Jim Hill of Tamaroa in 1945. They had 3 children: Brian, Jim Ray and Kathy. They

all make their homes 5 miles west of Tamaroa. Jim died of a heart attack at home in 1988.

Eva, born 4 June 1924 married Edgar Maynard of St. Louis, Missouri in 1944. They had 7 children. Edgar died in 1957 of a blood clot to the brain. Their children are: Barry, Jimmy, Edna, Robert, Patsy, Randy, and Peggy. Jim died in 1970. Barry died in 1987. Peggy died in 1990.

George was married just one year and had no children. He was born on 6 March 1925, and died on 30 July 1989.

Helen was born 30 November 1927 married Paul Arnold of Dubuque, Iowa in 1945. They had 2 children: Larry of Oient, Washington and Carol Stowe of Florence, Arizona. Paul died on 25 December 1983 of cancer in New Waverly, Texas.

Richard was born 28 October 1930 married Berneice Rice of Tamaroa in 1949. They had 11 children. Berneice died in October of 1984 of cancer. Their children are as follows: Richard E., 9 April 1950; Steven W., 18 May 1953; Ronald, 4 January 1955; Keith A., 10 April 1958. George H., 1 April 1971; Bruce K., 24 April 1972. There were also 6 daughters: Janet, Debby, Sheree, Brenda, Susan and Alysha born of his marriage to Charlotte Newborn in 1985.

Mary was born 9 February 1932 and married Paul Chaney of Benton, Illinois in 1949. They had 6 children. Dennis lives in Benton. Paula lives in Huntsville, Texas. Julia lives in Nebraska. Mark, Anita, and Johnny Marie live in and around Tamaroa. Paul died of cancer in Florida.

Hazel born 28 January 1934 married Edmund Kotel of Worcester, Massachusetts on 23 December 1950. They had 3 sons: Michael of Roselle, Illinois; Ronald of Tucson, Arizona; and Rodney of Sherwood, Oregon. Hazel and Ed enjoyed 10 wonderful years of retirement in Tucson, Arizona before Ed's death on 19 May 1997.

## LIVELY-LA BRIER

Archie Thomas Lively was born 13 January 1919 in Holden, Illinois (Hardscrabble) and died 25 September 1989 in Phoenix, Arizona at the age of 70 years and is buried at Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Route 51 North of Du Quoin, Illinois. Archie Thomas Lively's father was Willard Lively born 15 June 1882 in Sparta, Illinois and died 3 September 1965 in Du quoin, Illinois at the age of 83 years and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Route 51 North of Du Quoin, Illinois. His mother was Elizabeth (O'Keefe) Lively born 27 March 1885 in Sunfield, Illinois and died 28 August 1953 in Du Quoin, Illinois at the age of 68 years and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Route 51 North of Du Quoin, Illinois.



*Archie Thomas and Jane Lee (La Brier) Lively.*

Jane Lee (La Brier) Lively was born 17 June 1920 in Murphysboro, Illinois and died 16 De-

cember 1996 in Du Quoin, Illinois at the age of 76 years and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery, Route 51 North of Du Quoin, Illinois. Jane's father was Charles Abijah La Brier born 16 January 1885 in Kaskaskia, Illinois and died 4 September 1936 in Dowell, Illinois at the age of 51 years and is buried in St. Andrews Cemetery, Murphysboro, Illinois. Jane's mother was Golda May (Underwood) La Brier who was born 1 October 1901 at Murphysboro, Illinois and died 30 January 1961 in Du Quoin, Illinois at the age of 59 years and is buried in St. Andrew's Cemetery, Murphysboro, Illinois.

Archie Lively and Jane La Brier were married 24 December 1941, Christmas Eve, in Perryville, Missouri.

Children are: Archie Kyle Lively, born 6 November 1942; Charlotte Lou Lively, born 22 January 1947; Clarica Marguarete Lively, born 23 May 1948; Thomas Eugene Lively, born 6 November 1949; Richard Odell Lively, born 28 January 1951; and Minerva Jane Lively, born 19 January 1952.

Grandchildren are: Melissa Kay Lively, born 18 January 1973; Shanda Yvette Lively, born 31 January 1971; Kevin Lee VanBuskirk, born 6 February 1969; David Steven Fred, born 13 February 1972; Rebecca Jean Lively, born 23 February 1967; Tammie Lynn Keller, born 28 April 1965; Ryan Odell Lively, born 2 June 1980; Michelle Lynn VanBuskirk, born 13 June 1970; Steven Joshua Fred, born 5 July 1977; Lisa Kae Lively, born 6 July 1966; Kyle Lynn Lively, born 22 July 1968; bobby Thomas VanBuskirk, born 28 September 1967; Sean Mark Lively, born 12 October 1975; Kale Alan Lively, born 1 November 1971; and Matthew Paul Fred, born 13 November 1981.

Great grandchildren are: Cristen Nichole VanBuskirk, born 5 April 1991; Adrian Thomas Brand, born 23 April 1991; Douglas Ryan Brand, born 30 May 1987; Carrie Dawn VanBuskirk, born 23 June 1988; Devin Taylor Hiller, born 15 July 1989; Sierra Kae VanMeter, born 5 September 1992; Misty Dawn VanMeter, born 12 October 1991; Miranda Lynn Schiff, born 13 October 1990; Casey Marie VanBuskirk, born 18 October 1986; Brandy Dianne Lueker, born 22 October 1987; Dustin Howard VanMeter, born 20 May 1994; Brittany Rae Tilley, born 31 March 1996; Landon Kyle Brand, born 24 August 1996; Timothy Austin Lee Ford, born 11 March 1997; and Parker Alan Lively, born 3 December 1997.

## LIVELY-MEESE

George Lively and Bertha Meese were married on 22 July 1922 in Tamaroa, Illinois. George's great-great grandfather and family, Joseph Lively, came to Illinois in 1805 from Abbeyville, North Carolina. They settled in a lovely place 3 miles north of Kaskaskia in Florence precinct and called their home Lively Prairie. For the better part of 200 years, the Lively descendants have lived in or around Tamaroa, Illinois.

George and Bertha lived with George's parents, May and Alonzo Lively on the south edge of Tamaroa. George worked in the Blanchard coal mine to support his wife and seven children: Ruth, Eva, George, Helen, Richard, Mary and Hazel.

George was charged with manslaughter when a gun he was cleaning discharged during an argument and his father was killed. He was later cleared of all charges after witnesses testified in his behalf.



May and Bertha and all the children worked a very large garden and also a field of potatoes to get them through the very cold winters. A pig was butchered each winter to add to their larder. George also loved to hunt and fish, which added greatly to their dinner table.

May Lively died on 17 April 1941, from a kidney infection exactly 12 years and 9 months after her husband died 15 July 1928.



*L to R Back Row: George, Helen Ruth and Richard; L to R Front Row: Mary, Bertha, Eva and Hazel.*

George and Bertha lived a good life for the next 4 years, watching their 3 daughters get married and their son, George go off to World War II. On 15 March 1945, While George was working in the mine and thinking about his son that he hadn't heard from in a few weeks, a ton of rock fell on him and he died instantly.

Bertha had been raised in an orphanage and with no education, she was numb with fear that her children would also have to be sent away, but she would not give up and set to work about caring for her 3 remaining children at home. She cleaned homes, washed clothes, ironed, gathered sassafras roots and they all survived. Living by the railroad tracks was really a god send since she would take a long pole and as the coal cars would go by, she would rake excess coal off the highly piled cars. The children would pick it up and pile it in a large shed for use in the winter time. They still remember sitting around the old potbellied coal stove in the winter and doing homework.

Bertha had a hard life but she never complained. She died at the age of 80, 22 September 1983 in a nursing home in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Ruth married Jim Hill of Tamaroa and had 3 children; Eva married Edgar Maynard of St. Louis, Missouri and had 8 children; George never married, had no children; Helen married Paul Arnold of Iowa and had 2 children; Richard married Berniece Rice and had 11 children; Berneice died 9 October 1984; Richard married Charlotte Newborn and had 1 daughter; Mary married Paul Chaney of Benton, Illinois and had 6 children; Hazel married Edmund Kotel of Worcester, Massachusetts and had 3 sons.

Richard and his wife and daughter still live on the old homestead at the south end of Tamaroa.

## LIVELY-O'KEEFE

Willard Lively born 15 June 1882 in Sparta, Illinois died 3 September 1965 in Du Quoin, Illinois at the age of 83 years and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery. Willard's father was William Lively born 12 July 1844 in Sparta, Illinois and died 14 March 1926 in Du Quoin at the age of 81 years and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois. Willard's mother was Louisa (Burton) Lively born 6 June 1848 in Illinois and died

20 March 1926 in Christopher, Illinois at the age of 79 years and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Elizabeth (O'Keefe) Lively's father was Thomas O'Keefe born 9 December 1855 and died 8 October 1900 at the age of 44 years and is buried in 9 Mile Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. Elizabeth's mother was Minerva Jane (Bishop) O'Keefe who was born 7 March 1864 and died 4 January at the age of 89 years and is buried in Sunset Memorial Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois.



*Willard and Elizabeth (O'Keefe) Lively.*

Willard Lively and Elizabeth O'Keefe were united in marriage on 26 June 1904 at Paradise Prairie in Perry County.

Children are: Weston Owen Lively born 28 February 1905 and died 25 August 1976 and is buried in the Primitive Baptist Cemetery (Kimmel Blacktop Road - Side rock road) Route 51 North of Du Quoin; Flossie Joy Lively, born 27 June 1907 and died 14 November 1994 and is buried in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery, Route 51 North of Du Quoin; Clara Mae Lively, born 22 January 1910; Russell Laverne Lively, born 13 March 1912 and died 22 May 1992 and is buried in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery, Route 51 North of Du Quoin, Illinois; Noble Allen Lively, born 14 March 1914 and died 24 September 1981 and is buried in Onaway Michigan Interment Cemetery; Clifford Raymond Lively, born 18 July 1916 and died 26 March 1995 and is buried in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery Route 51 North of Du Quoin, Illinois; Archie Thomas Lively, born 31 January 1919 and died 25 September 1989 and is buried in Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery, Route 51 North of Du Quoin, Illinois; Opal Isabelle Lively, born 15 March 1921; George Kyle Lively born 1 July 1922 and died 19 June 1987 and is buried at Commerce Township Michigan in Commerce Cemetery; Norman Woodrow Lively, born 9 February 1924 and died 25 April 1926 and is buried in Nine Mile Cemetery, Route 154 East of Pinckneyville, Illinois; and Ivie Ruth Lively, born 14 March 1926 and died 12 April 1975 and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois.



*L to R: William Guy Lively, Brent Jeffrey Lively and Seated: James Axum Lively.*

## LOLLIS-HAMMEL

Mary Hammel born 2 November 1869 at Preston, Illinois the 6<sup>th</sup> child of John and Marie (Schwarz) Hammel was married at Du Quoin, Illinois to Issiac Lollis. Issiac and Mary had 2 children: Issiac and Kathryn. Mary died 15 April 1894 at Du Quoin and place of burial is unknown. Nothing further is known about Issiac except that he married a 2<sup>nd</sup> time and apparently had 3 sons.

Issiac, who died in 1911 at the age of 18, is buried in Caledonia Cemetery, Sparta, Illinois.

Kathryn born in 1893 near Du quoin was married 2 January 1915 to Clinton Onstatt. Kathryn died 25 March 1954 at Centralia, Illinois and is buried in the Hillcrest Cemetery there. There were no children of Clinton and Kathryn. Kathryn moved from Sparta to Centralia in 1910. She was a member of the First Christian Church, Ladies Auxiliary to the Order of Railway Conductors and the American Legion Auxiliary. She was survived by her husband and 3 half brothers, Martin, Thomas, and David Lollis. (excerpted from 'Hammel-Laufer Family') Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt

## LONG-WHITE

On 14 May 1872, Hugh H. Long, who was a Civil War Ohio Volunteer, married Sidney E. Dry, the third daughter, in a family of ten children, of Daniel W. and Martha W. Dry, who were prominent residents of Perry County. Sidney's early life was passed on the farm of her parents, located west of Du Quoin. Unto this union of Sidney and Hugh were born six children, namely, Elsie (Kelley), mother of Dr. Clarence (Kelly), Frances (Barrett), Frank D., Bessie (Hemmer), William H. and Jessie (Wooters).



*Frank D. and M. Emma Long.*

Frank Daniel Long was born 3 April 1883 and died 26 September 1955. As a young man he was associated with his father in the Bell Lumber Yard. Later he worked in the hardware business at Centralia, Murphysboro, Benton and then with Kimmel and Yehling Hardware in Du Quoin.

In 1914, Frank Long and Arthur Kunze opened a hardware store, "Long and Kunze," in the Brookings Building. In 1924, Long obtained 100% interest but retained the name until selling to the Anderson Brothers in 1937.

For a few years Long was associated with C.A. Holden in a wholesale business, then in 1939 he opened another Long and Kunze hardware in the Mifflin building. He operated this store until 1952 when ill health forced his retirement. The store was sold to Leo Hindman who closed the 49 year old business in 1963.

On June 27, 1917, Frank Long married Mary Emma White. Emma was born 11 October 1883



and died 17 June 1977. She was the second of three children born to James Riley and Martha (Lemen) White. The first born was Walter Eugene (2 January 1882 - 16 November 1920), the third was Laura Matilda (Tillie Weinberg - 2 February 1885 - 2 July 1964). Both parents died when the children were under seven years old. They were raised by their mother's sister, Aunt Emma (Lemen) Miller along with her two sons, Harry and Isaac Miller.

Unto this union of Frank and Emma Long were born twin sons on 6 December 1918, Frank Eugene and Harry W. Long, the latter of which died in infancy. F. E. (Gene) graduated from DTHS in 1937 and attended SINU, Carbondale for 2 1/2 years. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy pilot training program at Pensacola, Florida in October 1940. He received his Wings and Ensign Commission in June 1941. After 5 years of WWII, mostly in the Southwest Pacific, he was discharged with the rank of Lieutenant.

While in the service he married Nina Frances Campbell (27 November 1918 - 7 March 1996) of Shawnee, Oklahoma, and had one son, Donald E. Long (4 January 1944). Gene graduated from the University of Oklahoma with a degree in Petroleum Engineering in 1949.

After twelve years in the petroleum industry in Salem, Illinois, many cities in Oklahoma and Texas, he was employed by and retired from AT&T in 1988.

Following two years of college, Don enlisted in the Navy as a Corpsman in Aerospace Medicine and was discharged in 1969. He graduated from college in 1972 with a BBA degree in Business Management. His employment is in the management phase of nursing homes and hospital administration.

On 26 May 1973, Don married Wilma L. Thornburgh (19 April 1949) of Ponca City, Oklahoma. They reared two daughters: Elizabeth Mignon (2 June 1974), Kristi Brooke (18 January 1979) and son Kent Forest (11 August 1982) who died at birth.

Elizabeth graduated from Baylor University in 1996 and lives in Waco, Texas.

Kristi married Michael Gunter. They have one daughter, Shelby Paige Gunter. *Submitted by F. E. (Gene) Long*

## LONGSHORE-WEST

On 15 April 1961, Leon LaVern Longshore (born 28 June 1941) and Carolyn Kay (C. Kay) West (born 8 August 1940) were united in marriage at the Paradise Baptist Church Tamaroa, Illinois.



Leon Longshore, Lisa Kay Longshore and Carolyn (C. Kay) Longshore

Leon is the youngest son of Noah Grannison Longshore (born 13 January 1906, died 16 Febru-

ary 1992) and Georgia Margaret (Wright) Longshore (born 17 May 1908, died 12 October 1995) of Du Quoin, Illinois. Born in Du Quoin, Leon attended Wheatley, J.B. Ward and Du Quoin Township High School. He participated in athletics during his years in junior high and high school. In May 1960, he received the Elks Outstanding Senior Athlete Award. In August 1968 he received his Bachelor of Science in Education from SIU-C and was employed as a mathematics and science teacher at J.B. Ward Junior High school in du Quoin. IN August 1972 he graduated from the University of Illinois with a Masters in Administration.

C. Kay is the eldest daughter of E.W. Barney West (born 5 January 1913, died 22 March 1996) and Thelma Estella (Vance) West (born 7 April 1911, died 14 March 1984) of Tamaroa, Illinois. Born in Du Quoin and raised in Tamaroa, she attended the Tamaroa Grade School and Du Quoin Township High School. She was a 1961 graduate of Memorial Hospital School of Nursing in Springfield, Illinois. She is a Registered Nurse. C. Kay is employed as School Nurse for the Pinckneyville Community High School. Past nursing includes hospital experience and an instructor in practical nursing program.

Their daughter, Lisa Kay was born 11 January 1963 in Du Quoin, Illinois. She attended school at Du Quoin High School and after graduation attended Nursing School at Jewish Hospital School of Nursing in St. Louis, Missouri. She is a Registered Nurse, Trauma Nurse Specialist and is employed as a Department Director with Crossroads Community Hospital of Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Leon enjoys a woodworking hobby and golfing. C. Kay enjoys sewing and hand crafts. Lisa enjoys reading, stained glass crafting and sewing.

The family are member of the First Presbyterian Church of Du Quoin, Illinois.

## LONGSHORE-WRIGHT

I was named after my paternal grandfather, Noah Longshore. When the Civil War broke out, he lived on Canal Street in New Orleans, Louisiana, being a northern sympathizer, his land was confiscated. My Dad's name was Harry Hiram Allan Longshore and they called him H.A. Longshore. Dad ran away from home and came to Illinois at the age of nine. He was befriended and raised by Pete Resbond of Rosboro, Illinois (a community that existed between Percy and Sparta.) Pete took him into the mine and taught him mining.



L to R Back Row: George A. Longshore, Milton Longshore, and David Longshore; L to R Front Row: Leon Longshore, Georgia Longshore, and Noah Longshore.

He married Mariah Pernetie Luke, daughter of Pinckneyville farmer, Bob Luke. They had

twelve children. Mabel and Ray died at birth. Surviving were Sherman Elexander, Bessie, Alice Adaline, Bertha, Murthell, Flora Bell, Alfred Raymond, Lyle Cleo, Noah Grannison (13 January 1906 - 16 February 1992) and Merwin Eugene (Chubby).

Although Dad was a coal miner, he also worked as a plasterer when the mine was on strike (which they did every summer). My mother died when I was six years old and we moved to Park Street, where the girls kept house and Dad worked at the Jewel Mine. Dad never remarried but kept us all together. Times were hard, but we had a wonderful life.

I met my wife Miss Georgia Margaret Wright in the summer of 1924. On 12 April 1926, we were married at the Franklin County Courthouse in Benton, Illinois, being unable to go to the Perry County Courthouse because of high water.

Georgia was the daughter of Samuel McCager and Martha Imorintha (Sears) Wright. Samuel was a coal miner and also a bridge worker. There were eleven children born to this family: Stanford, Josie Jane, Gracie Pearl, Charles, Jonah Dewey, Milton Ernest, Eva Olive, Cora Elmina, Georgia Margaret (17 May 1908 to 12 October 1995), Iva Lucille and Arthur Elsworth.

I got a job at the Foster Mine. They only worked one to two days a week and after about a year they shut down and pulled the iron. We did many things to keep food on the table; picking peaches during peach season, cutting timber, making props and ties for the mine, cutting broom corn and playing the fiddle for dances.

In the winter of 1927, I wrote to my Uncle Curtis Lemmons, who was a mine manager, in Sparta, Illinois. Having a paid up card, I was given a job and we moved to Sparta. We returned to Perry County after a couple of years.

Our first son, Noah James lived only a few days. We have four living sons: Milton Sherman Longshore, born 16 February 1929; George Allen Longshore, born 18 March 1933; David Francis Longshore, born 5 November 1934; and Leon LaVern Longshore, born 28 June 1941.

Over a period of thirty seven years, I worked at the following mines: Foster, Moffat, Dowell, Citizen Coal Company, and Centralia Mine.

I have enjoyed a hobby of crocheting and making afghans. My wife also enjoys the hobby of quilting and crocheting.

We have been blessed with a good family and long marriage. God has been good to us, as of 12 April 1991, we celebrated our sixty fifth wedding anniversary.

## LOOS-EPPLIN

Bertha Epplin born 3 October 1909 in Perry County the eldest daughter of Joe J. and Elizabeth (Miller) Epplin was married 23 August 1932 at Pinckneyville to Albert Loos born 2 April 1910 at Pinckneyville a son of Peter and Molly (Bummersheim) Loos (see Volume 1 Page 210). Albert and Bertha had 7 children: Florence Maria, Bernice Magdalene, Clarence J., Albert Lawrence, Charles P., Ralph E., and Monica Ann. Albert died 8 April 1967 and Bertha died 3 November 1989. (see Joe EPPLINE-MILLER).

Florence M. born 2 November 1933 in Perry County was married 18 April 1955 at Pinckneyville to John H. Dudek born 22 September 1930 a son of Joseph and Elisabeth (Poiter) Dudek. They had 9 children: Beatrice, born 12



February 1956 in Perry County married 4 September 1976 at Pinckneyville, to Paul Sloan born 20 November 1956 at Dow, Illinois a son of Richard and Shirley (Lucas) Sloan. John Joe, born 7 June 1957, Bernadette, born 26 December 1958; Elisabeth, born 27 November 1960; Anthony, born 11 May 1962; Mark, born 5 December 1963; Elaine, born 25 June 1965; Matthew, born 25 September 1967; and Julia Ann, born 19 February 1969 all in Perry County.

Bernice born 8 February 1935 in Perry County was married 18 June 1960 at Pinckneyville to Francis J. Grabowski born 13 March 1927 a son of Joseph and Dionysia (Kuzawski) Grabowski. They have 5 children: Agatha, born 2 August 1961 at Sparta, Illinois; Joseph, born 26 March 1963; Mary, born 9 May 1965 died in infancy; Angela, born 12 February 1967; and Paul Albert, born 20 September 1969. The last 4 were born in Granite City, Illinois.

Clarence J. born 4 January 1937 in Perry County was married 25 July 1964 at Todd's Mill, Illinois to Sonia Stern, born 19 December 1941, a daughter of Cecil and Doris (McCormick) Stern. Clarence and Sonia had ten children: David Clarence, born 8 May 1965; Bernadine, born 23 February 1966 married Jeff Suchomski; Daniel, born 3 July 1969 married Karen; Timothy, born 29 January 1971 married Kathy; Jeffrey, born 7 January 1972; Kevin, born 24 October 1973, died 4 November 1995 at Carbondale, buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery; Peter, born 30 April 1975; Jonathan, born 21 August 1976; and James and Jeanine.

Albert L., born 22 July 1941 in Perry County was married 22 July 1961 at Pinckneyville to Edith Ann Hill born 17 June 1944 a daughter of Wayne and Lillian (Kohlhaas) Hill. They had 4 children: Lawrence Joseph, born 20 February 1962; Michael Wayne, born 5 January 1964; Katherine, born 1 June 1965; and Christian, born 7 January 1969, all in Sparta, Illinois.

Charles P., born 4 April 1943 in Perry County was married 15 April 1967 at Du Quoin to Judith Youngman, born 15 September 1945, a daughter of Lee and Christina (Keszely) Youngman. They had 4 children: Ralph, born 1 January 1968; Melissa, born 8 December 1968; Diane Marie, born 11 August 1971; and Jason John, born 26 November 1976, all in Sparta.

Ralph E., born 23 September 1945 in Perry County never married and died 20 August 1967. He is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Monica, born 19 May 1953 at Red Bud married John Wilson. Submitted by *Martha Mae Schmidt*

## LOOS-SETZEKORN

Larry is the first of four children of Albert Loos, Jr. of Cutler, Illinois and Edith Ann (Hill) Montgomery of Sparta, Illinois. Born on 20 February 1962 in Sparta, Illinois, he graduated from St. Bruno's Catholic School in 1976 and Pinckneyville Community High School in 1980. He and his family are members of St. Bruno's Catholic Church in Pinckneyville. He also is a member of the Knights of Columbus. Larry likes to camp on an occasional weekend at Pyramid State Park in Perry County. The best times are spent in the family backyard on Sundays, (Dad days, as the kids call Sundays) grilling on the grill, playing in the yard with the kids, and working in the garden.

Paulet Setzekorn was born on 21 August 1962. Paulet is the tenth of eleven children of

Dora Ann (Bathon) Setzekorn and the late Henry L. Setzekorn of Du Bois, Illinois. She graduated from St. Charles Catholic School in Du Bois in 1976 and Nashville Community High School in 1980. She worked at the Friendship Manor Nursing Home as a Certified Nurses Aid. Paulet worked at Arch of Illinois, Captain Mine for eleven years in the payroll department as a clerk, and data entry operator. She also has been a state licensed E.M.T. since 1987.



*Larry, Paulet, Jacob & Sarah Loos family church picture.*

Larry and his wife, Paulet Setzekorn were married at St. Charles Catholic Church in Du Bois, Illinois on 17 September 1983. They purchased their home in Pinckneyville, Illinois in 1985. Larry started in the excavating business in 1986. Presently it has developed to Loos Excavating, Incorporated. Paulet presently manages the household and cares for their two children. Paulet likes volunteering her assistance at the children's schools, gardening, creating crafts and floral arrangements.

Larry and Paulet went to Moscow, Russia in 1994 to adopt their little boy, Jacob Henry Loos born 17 August 1991, from orphanage #24. Jacob was twenty-six days short of being three years old. His weight was sixteen pounds and didn't speak much Russian and no English. He has adapted very well to his new way of life, as a normal six year old. He is a sweet blonde haired, green eyed, little boy who loves to swim, swing on the swings, books, music and most of all anything to be helping Mom and Dad. He is a very caring and loving child. Jacob is a 1997 graduate of St. Bruno's Kindergarten class.

In June of 1995, Larry and Paulet went back to Moscow, Russia to adopt their little girl, Sarah Elizabeth Ann Loos, born on 13 March 1994, from Orphanage #9 in Moscow. Sarah was one year and three months old. She was very small for her age weighing only twelve pounds. She could not stand by herself or sit herself back up if she fell over, basically the size and actions of a six month old. She also has adapted to her new life very well. She is a beautiful blonde haired, blue eyed, angel faced little girl, who loves to swim and dive at the pool, tumbling, music and dancing.

## LORE-POLING

Dana Lynn Poling was born 20 February 1954 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, Marshall Browning Hospital. Dana is the daughter of Dwayne and Naomi (Commean) Poling who were from Du Quoin, Illinois. Dana married first David William Lore 01 September 1974 in Roxana, Illinois, at the First Presbyterian Church. David is the son of William Lore and Ann Backman. Dana married second Scott Smith 12 September 1992 in Breckenridge, Colorado. Scott is the son of Ted Smith and Dottie Boyer, who live in Sea Ranch, California.



*Dana Poling Smith and Scott Smith and sons, Jonathan and Chris.*

The children of Dana Poling and David Lore are: Jonathan Diego Smith, born 02 June 1980 in Denver, Colorado; and Christopher "Chris" Sean Smith, born 23 January 1983 in Denver, Colorado. Jonathan and Christopher's last names were changed to Smith after Dana married Scott Smith. Dana and Scott and sons reside in Aurora, Colorado.

## LYNCH-MELVIN

Charles T. Lynch and Kathryn J. Melvin were married 16 June 1941. Charles is the son of the late Orval and late Mary E. Nickens Lynch. Kathryn is the daughter of the late Elmer and late Lois (Rice) Melvin. They reside in Tamaroa, and Charles made coal mining his lifetime career. He has 36 years of mining having worked the last 20 years at Captain Coal Company.



*Charles and Kathryn Lynch.*

He served 4 years in the Navy in World War II. Kathryn was a housewife. They are the parents of two children: Judith E. Bathon and Charles David Lynch. Judith is married to Richard E. Bathon, son of Lawrence and Sara (Harris) Bathon. They own and operate the Perry County Building Center in Pinckneyville, Illinois. They reside in Tamaroa and she is the mother of 4 children and has one step daughter.

Gregory D. Heck married Debra Gaines, daughter of Charles and Nina Gaines. They have one daughter, Taylor Heck. They reside in Du Quoin. Gregory is the administrator at the Fairview Nursing Home and Debra is a teacher's aide in the Du Quoin School System and Taylor is in kindergarten.

Mary E. (Heck) Nippe is married to Ricky Nippe. They reside in Tamaroa and have 2 children: Payton C. and Bailey Nippe. They are both under school age. Ricky is the son of Roger and Delores Nippe and is employed at the Perry County Building Center and Mary is employed at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois.

Stacy L. (Heck) Fox is married to Allen Fox. She is the mother of 3 children and 2 step chil-



dren: Bryant, Kaylin and Kelton Lively, Allen Fox, Jr. and Natasha Fox. Bryant is in the first grade of school, Allen Fox, Jr. is in the fifth grade. Allen is employed at the Perry County Building Center and she is a registered nurse. Right now she is running a day care center. They are residing in Tamaroa.

Charles W. (Charlie) Heck is married to Kammi A. (Konkel) Heck, the daughter of Robert and Elaine Konkel of Du Bois. They reside in Pontiac, Illinois. He has employment at the prison and she is finishing her education.

Sabrina Bathon is at home at Tamaroa attending Rend Lake College at Ina and working at Alongi's.

Charles (David) Lynch is married to Judith A. (Nowakowski) Lynch. She is the daughter of the late Sigmund and Mary (Bronke) Nowakowski. They have two children: Christopher A. and Jennifer A. Lynch.

Charles D. is working at B. & L. Machine Design and Judith is working also in the office of B. & L. at Effingham, Illinois where they reside.

Christopher is going to IT & T Technical at St. Charles, Missouri. Jennifer Lynch lives and works in Chicago, Illinois.

## MC CLURE-GASTON

The McClure family of Perry County, Illinois traces its history to the early Scottish Kings by direct male succession, and to more recent French royalty by the Gaston maternal line. James McClure (1710-1760) and his wife Mary Gaston (1710-1802) left Ireland for America in the company of her family. Mary was responsible for saving numerous women and children in those early years, earning her the title of "The Heroine of the Cherokee" in South Carolina history. Widowed shortly after settling in Chester County, South Carolina, she distinguished herself as a Revolutionary patriot in her own right. Of her four sons that fought in the war, only Captain John McClure lost his life in battle (18 August 1780). Captain John's leadership is historically held responsible for turning the tide against the British, after they had all but subdued the Carolinas. Captain John McClure (1740-1780) married Mary Porter (1750-1810) and named a son after his famous father. This John McClure (1770-1830) died in South Carolina before the family made its migration to Illinois. His widow, Eleanor Polston McClure (1783-1843) traveled with their children and settled in Cutler, Perry County, Illinois by 1831. Their son Samuel, a farmer (1806-1880), married Mary Ann Lackey from Ireland (1810-1875) and both are buried in Concord Cemetery, Cutler, Illinois. Their son, John McClure, a farmer and book dealer (1834-1917), married Mary M. Brown (1840-1910). Their children: Andrew, Elen, Samuel, John, and Elihu. Elihu H. McClure (1875-1958) was an auditor for the railroad. He married Eva Alice Cook (1878-1957) in 1899 and settled in Sparta, Illinois. Their children were: Marjorie, Myron, Leland, and Elihu Jr. Elihu Hawthorne McClure Jr. (1911-1994) was better known as Jack, a nickname his aunt supplied early in his life so that he would not have to be teased with the feminine derivative of Ellie. He married Mary Elizabeth Clendenin (born 1915) and moved to Chester, Illinois. He was quite successful as a funeral director, managing and then becoming a partner in the Schroeder Funeral Chapel and Home Furnishings. After his sons, Gary and Michael,

bought out his other partners, the name was changed to Schroeder-McClure Funeral Chapel and later the furniture business became a separate entity as McClure Home Furnishings. Jack, Gary and Michael McClure also purchased the Neal Funeral Chapel in Du Quoin, changing the name to Neal-McClure Funeral Chapel. Jack and Mary's first child, Jacquelyn Sue McClure (born 1939), now resides in San Diego, California. She has two daughters, Christa and Betsy. Gary Lee McClure, a licensed funeral director and embalmer (born 1945) lives in Du Quoin, Illinois and has three children: Todd, Tonya and Tori. Michael William McClure, a licensed funeral director and embalmer (born 1958) lives in Chester, Illinois. He married Susan G. Campbell in 1980. They have four children: Michael II, Jennifer, Christine, and Elizabeth.

## MCCLURKEN, ARCHIBALD

Archibald McClurken was born in Chester County, South Carolina on 11 November 1794. He married Sarah King in 1817. Archibald was the son of Thomas and Elizabeth Smith McClurken. Thomas and Elizabeth came to America in 1772 along with 467 families from Ballymoney, Antrim County, Ireland. They settled in Chester County, South Carolina. Thomas and his three brothers all served in the South Carolina militia during the Revolutionary War. One brother, Archibald, was hung by the Tories in 1781.

The McClurkens were of the Reformed Presbyterian faith, who in 1820 decreed that all slave owners should free their slaves. This made it impossible for the covenanters (as the reformed Presbyterians were known) to compete with their neighbors. In 1828, the migration to the Midwest began. Thomas and his entire family, with the exception of Archibald, came to Washington County, Illinois in 1833. Thomas and Elizabeth are buried at the Oakdale Cemetery in Washington County, Illinois.

Archibald and Sarah sold their land in South Carolina in 1834, and came to Elkhorn district of Washington County, Illinois. They remained in Washington County until 1840 where they farmed and were partners with his brother, James. They operated one of the first mills in that county. In 1840 they moved to Perry County where they engaged in farming and in partnership with their son-in-law, David Thomas, started the first mill in Perry County. Their homestead was located south of Pinckneyville, where the County Clerk's office is now located. Archibald and Sarah had nine children: Elizabeth: born in 1820, married David Thomas. No family has been found. A son: born in 1822, disappeared from census in 1850. Nancy: born in 1823, died 1846. She married John Kimbell and had one son: Marvin Kimbell. His descendants live around Sorrento, Illinois. A daughter: born 1827, disappeared from census 1850. A son: born 1831, disappeared from census in 1850. Martha: born 1833, married first, William Davis. They had two children, Rosa and Nadine. She married a second time to Thomas Hendricks. They had one child: Vaden. Infant son: born 1835, died 1835. His was the first grave in Oakdale Cemetery. Thomas Valentine: born 1836, died 1870 (see McClurken, Thomas V. history). Archibald: born 1839, died 1915. He married Louise Smith. They had eight children: Finis (born 1862, died 1906. Married Mary Ann Houghland. They had five children). Reymus (born 1864, died

1866). Effie (born 1866, died 1945. Married William Trefftz. They had one child). Ida (born 1868. Married Judson Houghland. No children). Zoe (born 1871, died 1936. Married Edward Vaughn). Lindolph (born 1872. Married Letha Cheek. No children but raised his niece's two sons). Ralph (born 1875, died 1921. Married Carrie Chorpennig. They had seven children). Emmett (born 1878, died 1951. Married Frona Chapman. They had one child).

## MC CLURKEN-HAINES

Bert McClurken, the third child of Rehm and Etta McClurken was born 22 August 1898, died 16 March 1960. He married Frances Haines, born 16 August 1904, died 04 September 1993. She was an orphan raised by Christian Schmidt, who lived west of Nation school. Bert worked at the United Electric Coal mine for more than 30 years. His favorite pastimes were hunting and fishing. His home was on the highway north of Sunfield. Bert and Frances had six children. The first, Loy, was born 13 April 1923, and died 27 December 1928. The second child was Margie, born 10 September 1926. She married Norman Norris and they had one child, Susan, who has two children, Daniel and Crystal. Susan lives in Los Angeles, California. Margie then married James Cockrum and they had two children, James and Timothy. James "Jim" married Lurenda Sullivan. They have four children. April, who died as an infant, Wendy, Amber, and Haley. They live close to Zeigler, Illinois. The second child, Timothy, married Lori Nehrkorn. They have two children, Trevor and Trey. They live north of Du Quoin, Illinois. The third child was Dallas, born 28 December 1927. He married Laberta Woolsey and they had two children. Kathy who has four children, Alexander, Devon, Mary and Sarah (born and died 24 December 1992). She has three step-children. Hosanna, Michael and Rebecca Hanson. Kathy lives in Ames, Iowa. Karen who has one child, Kassandra. Kassandra has one child, Conner. Karen lives in Cambridge, Massachusetts. Dallas married a second time to Ruby Pretzsch. (see McClurken-Pretzsch history). The fourth child was Sarah Darlene, born 16 March 1933. She married Michael Geragosian and they had four children. Vicky, who has two children, Bryan and Justin, lives in Coral Springs, Florida. Louann, who has one child, Lauren, also lives in Coral Springs, Florida. Mark has three children, Jamie, Duane and Jena. Jamie has one child, Trent. Mark lives in Breese, Illinois. Sandy has one child, Matthew, and lives in Belleville, Illinois. Darlene lives in Coral Springs, Florida. The fifth child was Kay, born 17 March 1940, died 1983. She had one child Larry. He has two children and lives in Mobile, Alabama.

The sixth child was Connie born 28 July 1948. She has two children, Tiffany and Jennifer, and lives in Bloomington, Illinois.

## MC CLURKEN-HUGGINS

Reymus "Rehm" was born 30 January 1867. Died 08 April 1917. Married Etta Huggins born 20 May 1874, died 03 July 1940. She was the daughter of Rev. David Huggins. Rev. Huggins was instrumental in starting many Baptist Churches in Washington and Perry Counties, including the Swanwick Baptist Church, which became Oak Grove. He also was one of the leaders



in forming the Nine Mile Baptist Association. Reymus and Etta lived about seven miles north of Pinckneyville on a farm. Also, he worked for the Illinois Central Railroad. He died suddenly on 08 April 1917 of a heart attack. Etta lived until 1940 in a new home built by her son Arch. Rehm and Etta had six children.

Valentine: born 20 March 1893, died 07 May 1896. Virgil Archibald "Arch": born 10 April 1895, died 12 April 1956. Married Olga Brune. They had one child, Carol Louise: born 12 September 1943. She married Gerald Heine and they had four children. James, Gerald, Amy and Scott. She married a second time, Jack Etherton. They now live in California. Arch worked at United Electric's Coal Mine near Pinckneyville.

Bert: born 22 February 1898, died 16 March 1960. (see McClurken-Haines history). Denver Glenn: born 02 October 1901, died 1991, married Pauline Opp, born 09 March 1912, died 17 December 1997. They had no children. Glenn farmed and worked at United Electric Coal Mine.

Alma Ernestine: born 12 September 1904, died 1966. She married Clarence Wilson. They had no children. Jessie Ethel: born 28 April 1908, died 1981. She married Robert Smiley. They had no children.

## MC CLURKEN-PRETZSCH

Dallas Lee McClurken, the third child of Bert and Frances, was born 28 December 1927. He married on 01 September 1951, Laberta Jean Woolsey, born 16 August 1933, died February 1954, they had two children.

Kathy Jo McClurken, born 05 March 1953, married first, Rick Winchester. They had one child, Alexander Troy Winchester, born 30 May 1973. Kathy had a child, Devon Leigh McClurken, born 15 September 1981. Kathy married second, Scott Woeste, born 09 October 1957, died 11 August 1993, they had Mary Kathleen Woeste, born 22 October 1990, and Sarah Jean Woeste (born and died 24 December 1992). Kathy married third, Scott Hanson. He has three children. Hosanna, Michael and Rebecca. Kathy and her family live in Ames, Iowa.

Karen June McClurken, born 06 January 1954, who has one child, Kassandra, born 22 July 1975. Kassandra has one child, Conner. Karen married Michael Kelley, and they live in Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Dallas married second on 02 April 1955, Ruby Madelin Greer Pretzsch, born 08 November 1926. Ruby had two children.

Michael Joe Pretzsch, born 14 January 1946, married on 19 February 1966, Carol Elaine Douglas born 27 November 1948. They have four children. Dawn Deshea, born 05 November 1967, married Todd List on 30 December 1991. Dawn and Todd have three children and live in Raleigh, North Carolina. Kristen Marie Pretzsch, born 23 March 1982. Brandon Michael Pretzsch, born 09 June 1983. Brent Andrew Pretzsch, born 16 August 1984. Michael lives in Raleigh, North Carolina.

Judith Ann Pretzsch, born 20 November 1951 married first on 19 February 1966, Tommy Allen Sprague, born 09 April 1952. Married second on 27 February 1983, Kenneth Lee Graves, born 04 April 1953. They have one child, Blaine Allen Graves, born 17 May 1984. Kenneth has two children, Kenneth and Charlie. Judith and her family live in Deland, Florida.

Dallas and Ruby have one child, Denise Rae McClurken, born 17 September 1956. She married 16 July 1976 to Charles Mark Alexander, born 21 October 1957. They have two children: Shawn Dallas Alexander, born 04 September 1983, and Christopher Mark Alexander, born 22 September 1987. Denise and her family live in Kissimmee, Florida.

Dallas worked for General Telephone Company for 35 years. When he retired from this he started a clock repair shop in Carmi, Illinois. He served in the Merchant Marines from 1944 to 1946. Dallas served in the Army from 1946 to 1949 in Europe, and again from 1950 to 1951 during the Korean War.

## MC CLURKEN-SMITH

Thomas Valentine McClurken, the eighth child of Archibald and Sarah McClurken, was born in 1836, Washington County, Illinois. He came to Perry County in 1840, when he was four years old. He married Ruth Elizabeth Smith, the daughter of Willis and Phoebe Taylor Smith.

Thomas and Ruth lived on the original McClurken homestead, south of Pinckneyville, Illinois. In August 1861, Thomas joined the 31<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry Regiment, better known as the John A. Logan Volunteers. He saw action at Belmont, Missouri, Fort Henry, Fort Donelson, and Shiloh's Church in Tennessee. At Shiloh he was wounded and sent home to die. The official Adjutant General's report states that he died of his wounds on 26 May 1862. We know that he lived until 1870. He came home and farmed with his brother, Archibald, until 1865 when he sold the original homestead to the Perry County Government for the purpose of building the Perry County Poor Farm. The County still owns the property.

Thomas and Archibald each purchased land north of Pinckneyville near the Oak Grove Baptist Church. Thomas died 26 January 1870 due to complications from the wound he received at Shiloh. Ruth never remarried. Ruth died 24 November 1909. Both are buried at Keene Cemetery north of Oak Grove Church.

Thomas and Ruth had six children. The first child was Donald: born 1882. Married first Esther Arnett, second Mary McCrary, third Samantha Reisinger Arnett. Donald had four children. William: born 1882, Hallie: born 1884, Nellie: born 1886, infant: born and died 1893. The second child was Alva: born 1862, died 1910. He married Minnie Marlow. They had three children. Harland Ray: born 1893. Married Clara Lacy. They had two children. Hallie Mae: born 1894, married William German. They had seven children. Paralee: born 1901 married Gilbert Jones. Alva McClurken's grave was the first in Oak Grove Cemetery.

The third child was Sarah Phoebe: born in 1864, died 1941. She married Townsend Miller. They had eight children. Harry: born 1890, Alta Lou: born 1891, Guy: born 1893, Jessie: born 1896, Ira: born 1898, Vallie: born 1902, Gerald: born 1906 and Velma: born 1908.

The fourth child was Reymus "Rehm": born in 1868. (See McClurken-Huggins history.) The fifth child was Edna Louise: born 1868, died 1936. She married Weyland Logan. They had one child.

The sixth child was Valentine: born 1870, died 1936. He married first Florence Redfern, second Rebecca Wilson. They had five children.

## MC COLLUM-HALSTEAD

William "Harry" McCollum was born on 29 February 1888 and died in 1951. His parents were Marion McCollum (born 1863 and died 1943) and Ida Lynn (Fallon) McCollum (born 1867 and died 1925). Marion and Ida resided in Du Quoin. Marion worked and retired from Illinois Central Railroad.

William "Harry's" paternal grandparents were Riley McCollum and Lucinda McCollum. His maternal grandparent was Evaline Fallon, who resided in Ireland.



William 'Harry' and Rachel (Halstead) McCollum.

Harry worked as a teamster and a coal miner. He also worked as secretary of the Retail Clerks in Du Quoin and he was employed at the Dawson-Duncan Furniture Company in Du Quoin, Illinois for several years.

Harry had three brothers and two sisters. His first brother was Marion Otto McCollum (born 1890 and died 1939) who married Ida Belle McCollum. They resided in Du Quoin. Marion was employed as a switchman for Illinois Central Railroad Yards where he was fatally injured.

His second brother was Carl "Howard" McCollum. He ran away from home to join the United States Army and died (22 September 1918) a hero of phenomena fever in France during World War I. Howard was a member of the Motorcycle Machine-gun Company in Fort Bliss, Texas. He made test runs testing speed efficiency and ability for the company.

His third brother, Lester "Fallon" McCollum, was born 14 October 1905 and died 31 October 1962. He married Louie (Kern) McCollum. Fallon died in Tucson, Arizona where he and his wife resided. Together they owned a successful service station business.

His first sister was Lillie (McCollum) Quigley. She married Roy Quigley. She died at age 24 from a complicated child birth.

His second sister was Eva J. (McCollum) Morris, born 07 February 1894 and died 1974. She married Marshall Morris, a carpenter, and resided in St. Louis, Missouri. Later, they returned to Du Quoin.

William "Harry" married Rachel (Halstead) McCollum and resided in Du Quoin. Rachel was born 08 August 1889 and died 02 July 1972. Her parents were Thomas Halstead and Sarah (Catton) (Halstead) Cotton (born 01 January 1866; died 1936) who resided in Hallidayboro, Illinois. Rachel's maternal grandparents were John Catton and Elizabeth Catton who resided in England.

Rachel had four brothers, two half-brothers, and one half-sister. Two of her brothers, George and Albert, were born in Yorkshire, England and came to America on a boat with their mother Sarah to join their father



Thomas. Thomas had come to the United States earlier to seek employment.

Rachel's first brother, George Halstead, was born 02 November 1878 and died 31 March 1940. He married Maude (Manus) Halstead. Her second brother, Albert Halstead, married Alice (Manus) Halstead. Her third brother, James L. "Weeds" Halstead, was born 19 August 1882 and died 29 August 1970. He married Rose A. Halstead. Her fourth brother, John L. "Jack" Halstead, was born 30 March 1885. He married Addie (Graeff) Halstead. Jack was electrocuted in a mining accident in the Kathleen Mine in Hallidayboro, Illinois and died at the age of 41.

After Thomas' death, Sarah Halstead married Samuel Cotton and resided in Hallidayboro, Illinois on a farm. Sam died at age 61 of carcinoma. Together they had three children. Rachel's first half-brother, Friend "Toots" Cotton, never married. Her second half-brother, Fred Cotton, married Rosie E. Cotton. Her half-sister, Allie D. (Cotton) (Bourland) Thomas, born 08 September 1898 and died April 1987, married Otto Bourland. Together her and her husband owned a grocery store in Elkhaville, Illinois where they resided. After Otto's death, Allie married Ernest E. Thomas.

William "Harry" and Rachel had six children. Their first child, Delores (McCollum) Kaufman, was born 05 September 1907 and died in 1964. Delores married Reverend Eugene Kaufman in 1939 and resided in Modesto, Illinois. A month after Delores' death, Reverend Kaufman died of an apparent suicide at his home. They had only one daughter, Rosemary Kaufman, born 09 February 1937, died 09 March 1947. She died at age ten from an intestinal infection.

Their second child, Marion Thomas McCollum, was born 02 March 1917 and died 10 November 1971. Marion married Ruth Maxine (Cavins) McCollum in 1939 and they resided in Du Quoin, Illinois. Ruth was born 12 May 1914 and died 27 May 1992. Marion was employed as a butcher for Green's IGA in Du Quoin, Illinois. He also was a veteran of the United States Army where he received a Purple Heart during World War II. He was a member of the American Legion and the Du Quoin Lodge for Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was also a member of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butchers of America.

Their third child, Sarah Lynn McCollum, was born in 1919 and died 10 October 1921. She was an infant, almost two years old, when she died due to an illness.

Their fourth child, Mary Frances (McCollum) Zoeckler, was born 01 October 1921. She married Loren R. Zoeckler in 1943 and they reside in Tamaroa. They have six children: Phyllis Zoeckler, Robert Zoeckler, Judy (Zoeckler) Crawford, Charles Zoeckler, Lorna (Zoeckler) Siefert, and Rebecca "Jody" Zoeckler. (See Zoeckler-McCollum history.)

Their fifth child, Harry Junior McCollum, was born 13 March 1923 in Du Quoin. He married Nellie Mae (Wendling) McCollum in 1934 and resides in Du Quoin, Illinois. Nellie was born 19 October 1926 and died 31 January 1990. Harry is a veteran of the United States Marines during World War II. They had two sons. Their first son, Stephen Ray McCollum married Shelia (Gibson) McCollum in 1969 and they reside in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Stephen graduated in 1965 from Du Quoin High School. He is a veteran

of the United States Air Force during the Vietnam Era. Their second son, Harry McCollum Jr., was born 30 August 1956. He married and divorced Peggy McCollum. They had one son, Clinton McCollum. Harry Jr. graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1974. He and his son Clinton reside in rural Du Quoin.

Their sixth child, Albert Eugene "Mac" McCollum, was born 23 November 1926 in Du Quoin, Illinois and died 06 January 1995 at his home in Belvidere, Illinois. Albert married Dorothy "Jeanne" (Scruggs) McCollum of Little Rock, Arkansas in 1946. They resided in Belvidere, Illinois. Albert was employed for 34 years by the United Insurance Company of America in Elgin, Illinois as the vice-president and assistant treasurer. He was also a veteran of the United States Army during World War II. Jeanne currently resides in Texas. They have two children. Their first child, Monte McCollum, was born 23 May 1956 and resides in Texas. Their second child, Debra (McCollum) (Groneman) Engel, was born 24 February 1961. She married and divorced John Groneman. They have two sons, Max Groneman and Tyler Groneman. Later she married Michael Engel. They have two daughters, Rachael Victoria Engel and Nicole Engel. Debra and Michael reside in Belvidere, Illinois.

### MC COLLUM-MITCHELL

Isaac Jasper McCollum lived all his life in Du Quoin, IL. He was born 02 March 1837 near Du Quoin to David and Mary Smith McCollum.



Isaac J. and Melissa (Mitchell) McCollum.

Isaac married Melissa Mitchell 15 January 1863 in Du Quoin. Melissa was born 02 February 1845 in Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois to Frank and \_\_\_ Mitchell. They had six children, all born in Du Quoin. Mary Eleanor "Nellie" was born 15 October 1869 and she married John F. Malone 13 March 1890. She died in Van Nuys, California on 13 April 1940. (See Malone-McCollum history.) Clara A. was born 12 October 1872 and died 15 October 1873.

Anna G. was born 26 October 1874 and married Edgar Perry 17 January 1904 in Du Quoin. They had Anna Lucille, born 21 February 1906 in Missouri. Anna G. died 14 March 1906 in Hornersville, Missouri and is buried in the Paradise Cemetery near Du Quoin. Cora Alice, born 03 October 1877, died in Chicago, Illinois on 20 February 1915. She is buried in Du Quoin.

Charles Francis, a grocery clerk and driver, was born 25 November 1879. He married Hattie Florence Daniels 20 September 1900. They had four children all born in Du Quoin. Leta Opal was born 17 May 1901. She married Clarence Gunn and then married Jeff Brandtley. Earl

Genner was born 13 November 1902 and married Alice Eleanor Roach, daughter of Ernest and Florence Davis Roach, on 03 October 1929 in Christopher, Illinois. Alice was born in St. Johns, Perry County, Illinois on 14 August 1910. Their first child, Carl Edward, was born and died on 14 August 1943. Their daughter, Kay Ellen, was born 18 July 1945 in Du Quoin and married Larry H. Hottes on 26 January 1964. They had two children, Camden Harold born 09 April 1967 and Jennifer Alleen born 14 December 1970. Earl died 24 November 1985 and Alice died 22 December 1996. They are buried at Sunset Memorial Park in Du Quoin.

Helen Faye was born 17 May 1905 and married Niles Swayne. She died 01 March 1983 in Missouri and is buried at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Du Quoin. Roberta Ruth was born 14 November 1909 and married Kenneth Morefield on 07 May 1931. Roberta died 14 July 1982 in California and is buried there.

Estella "Stella" was born 24 August 1881. She married Benjamin F. Morris 29 March 1903. Their children were Ralph, Maxine, Dorothy, and Benjamin Jr. Ralph was born 04 April 1908 and died 15 June 1908. Maxine was born 11 July 1909. She married Pete H. Fort then died 15 August 1981 in Chandler, Florida. Their children were Estella and Christine.

Dorothy was born on 29 March 1912 and married Edward Wolf. They had one daughter. Dorothy died on 30 March 1991 in Florida. Benjamin F. Jr. was born 10 April 1916 and married Jessie \_\_\_. They had two sons. In the early 1940s Estella and family moved to Florida. Estella died in Chandler, Florida and was buried there in 1965.

Isaac and Melissa McCollum were members of the First Baptist Church. Before an illness of 20 years, Isaac was a farmer. The support of his family fell upon Melissa and their children. Isaac died 25 July 1901 in Du Quoin. Melissa died 13 May 1916 in Peyton County. Both are buried at Paradise Cemetery near Du Quoin.

Submitted by Rose Mary Malone Delmore.

### MC COLLUM-SMITH

David McCollum was born in 1802 probably in Randolph County, North Carolina. His parents were Isaac and Susannah McMasters McCollum. By 1830 they were in Perry County, Illinois. He died 11 November 1863 in Du Quoin and burial was in the Nine Mile Cemetery near Du Quoin.



David and Mary McCollum.

David married Mary "Polly" Smith on 02 January 1834 in Perry County, Illinois. Mary was born 28 June 1804 in North Carolina. Her parents are unknown at this time. She died 03 February 1874 and burial was in the Nine Mile Baptist



Cemetery. Mary was the widow of Richard Smith with three children, Mary E. "Polly", John and Elizabeth, when she married David McCollum.

David and Mary had six children all born in Du Quoin, Illinois. Jesse, born 1834, married Melissa Etherton 08 May 1856. Jesse served in the Civil War. They then moved to Benton in Franklin County, Illinois. Jesse and Melissa had six children, Eunice E., Albert F., Samuel D., Charles A., Emma E. and Luella. He died in Benton, Illinois 17 April 1910.

Isaac Jasper was born 02 March 1837. He married Melissa Mitchell 15 January 1863 in Du Quoin. They had six children. Isaac died 25 July 1901 and Melissa died 13 May 1916. Both are buried in the Paradise Cemetery near Du Quoin. (See McCollum-Mitchell history.)

Tilman was born 16 September 1838. He married first Mary Etherton. After her death in 1866 he married Catharine E. Sanders 12 December 1867. Tilman died in Missouri 28 June 1898. They probably had children, but are unknown at this time.

Clarinda was born in 1840. She married George W. Kellogg in Perry County, Illinois on 06 March 1856. They had four children: Charles D., Anna, E. A., and Mary J.

Eli was born in 1842. He married Mary F. Evans 09 February 1864 in Perry County, Illinois. In 1901 he was in Bucklin, Linn County, Missouri.

Rebecca was born in 1844. She married James F. Wooten 29 January 1863 in Perry County, Illinois.

When Ebenezer Baptist Church was first organized in 1860 at a schoolhouse east of Du Quoin, David and Mary were among the first members.

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## MC COLLUM-WADDELL

John Thomas "Tom" McCollum was born 27 December 1910 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He was the third son of Guy and Pearl McCollum. He had four brothers, Ralph, Bill, Raymond and Max, who are all deceased.

Tom graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1930. He joined the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) in 1934, spent one year in Red Bud, Illinois and then moved to Decatur, Illinois in 1935. He married Virginia Waddell in 1936 while still in the CCC. He went to work at Staley Manufacturing Company in 1937 and retired from there in 1972. Tom and Virginia lived in Decatur until he retired. They then moved to Forsyth, Illinois where they still live. He played softball, baseball and basketball with the Staley teams.

Virginia was born in Latham, Illinois, 27 October 1915, attended school there and graduated in 1932. She worked at Kemper Insurance Company for 25 years and retired in 1978.

Tom and Virginia have two daughters, Janet Lee and Sharon Jean.

Janet is married to Vernon Brunner, Jr.; they also live in Forsyth, Illinois. Janet works for the Visiting Nurse Association of Macon County as a secretary. Vernon is retired from Mueller Company. They have three children, Jill Marie, Christopher Thomas and Nathan Vernon. Jill is married to John Zelhart and they live on a farm near Maroa, Illinois. They have two sons, Corey Allen and Ryan John. Chris is married to Robbin Rogers and they live in Oreana, Illinois. Chris works at Mueller Company and Robbin is a

receptionist at a doctor's office. They have two daughters, Miranda Ann and Taylor Christine. Nathan attended Richland Community College and works for United Parcel Service. He still lives at home.



Tom and Virginia McCollum.

Sharon is married to Richard Tolliver. She teaches school at Taylorville, Illinois and Richard teaches at Louisville, Illinois. Richard has three children whose mother is deceased. They are Sharon's step-children. Tiffany is married to Kent Julius and they live in Champaign, Illinois where they attend the University of Illinois. Courtney graduated from Flora High School this year and will be attending Olney Junior College this fall. Jordan will be in the ninth grade at Flora High School this fall.

Tom and Virginia attend the Forsyth United Methodist Church and both bowl with the senior citizens two times a week. Tom belongs to Staley Retirees, Elks Club, and State and National Civilian Conservation Corp. He still enjoys fishing and gardening and is still active and has good health at the age of 87. Virginia belongs to the United Methodist Women, Lady Elks, and Kemper Retirees. They still enjoy traveling to McAllen, Texas and Oroville, California to visit her brothers. They enjoy getting together with their family to celebrate holidays and birthdays.

## MC DONNOUGH

The first McDonnough in the area was Eustace "Stacey" McDonnough (1768-1835). He was orphaned as an infant and was bound out to an "abusive master" and ran away at the age of 14. He joined the Kentucky Militia in 1785 and served as a soldier against marauding Indians north of the Ohio River. He served with Colonel George R. Clark in 1786 during his campaign against the Indians.

Stacey married Catherine Hughes, daughter of Thomas and Martha Hughes, on 15 February 1793 in Louisville, Kentucky and claimed land near Ellis Grove. He was a Captain in the United States Army and commanded a train of pack horses in General Josiah Harmer's company against the Indians. He contracted to carry the United States Mail from St. Louis to Shawneetown via Kaskaskia on the Old Shawneetown Trail. Remnants of this trail are still visible on the Gladson farm near Paradise Prairie. He commanded a boat on the Ohio River for the United States and was an excellent river pilot. He was shot in the shoulder by an Indian standing on the shore and never completely recovered.

Stacey and Catherine had nine children: James (1793-1846), Martha (1806), Margaret, Nancy (1808-1900), Sarah (1810-1844), Catherine (1827-1897), David, and Mary (1802-1883).

Descendants of Stacey have served in every war since the Revolutionary War.

James McDonnough (1793-1846) was the eldest of Stacey and Catherine's children. He served in the War of 1812 and he and Stacey were noted for their fearless relationship with the Indians. They were hired to protect the area surveyors from the Indians as they surveyed. James was one of the "most popular leaders" of the frontier community. He married Margaret "Peggy" Leard in 1817. They had seven children. James H. (1831) was their older son, who married Emily Tate in 1859, served with the Tenth Infantry in the Civil War from 1861-1865. They had eight children: William J. (1861-1938), Thomas A. (1862), Eve Alice (1863), Hester Ann (1868), Mary (1872), Guy (1875), Margaret, and Robert J. (1864-1940).

Robert "Bob" was a coal miner in Perry County and married Mary Jane Presswood, the daughter of Cullen and Eliza Jane (Roberts) Presswood. They had 14 children, seven of whom died in infancy. Their children: Gertrude (1888), Vallie (1893-1962), Nellie (1896-1950), Bonnie (1902-1946), Roxie (1904), Paul (1904-1974), and a son, June. Most of the children of Robert and Mary Jane married and lived in Perry County.

## MC DONNOUGH-HUTCHINGS

Vallie McDonnough (1893-1963) was the eldest son of Robert J. and Mary Jane (Presswood) McDonnough. He was born near Pinckneyville where he remained a lifelong resident. He joined the Winkle Baptist Church in 1913. He was a coal miner, farmer, and businessman. He and his sons, Dean and Wayne, were the first to dig basements under houses with teams of horses. They dug the basement for the new part of the Perry County Court House and several businesses and homes in Pinckneyville using their teams of draft horses.

Vallie married Fannie Hutchings (1890-1962). She was the daughter of William Riley Hutchings (1854-1936), the son of William and Illinois (Watson) Hutchings. William was the son of John R. and Delilah (Jones) Hutchings, who came to Perry County with his parents, William and Celia (Jones) Hutchings, John Hutchings, and the 18 who came to Perry County from Robertson County, Tennessee in 1816. They were some of the earliest settlers and leaders in Perry County. Fannie's mother, Naomi (Moore) Hutchings, was the daughter of John and Ellen (Evans) Moore whose ancestors settled in the Belleville-New Athens area in 1812. They arrived from Georgia and were looking for a place to free their slaves. The Moores were members of the first legislature. Risdon Moore led the fight in the Senate to make Illinois a "Free State", thus setting all slaves free.

After their marriage, Vallie and Fannie lived in Steeleville, Percy, and Winkle prior to buying a new home in Quinntown, two miles west of Pinckneyville.

Fannie was a charter member of the Oak Grove Baptist Church and, while it was in its infancy, she purchased supplies for the church with her own meager funds. She became a member of Beaucoup Baptist Church in 1926 where she taught Sunday School, sang in the choir, and was president of the WMU for many years. She remained a faithful member there until her death.

Vallie and Fannie were members of the Perry County Fair Association for years being superintendents of the Agriculture and Horticulture De-



partments. Vallie was also a prominent member of the Democrat Party. Fannie wrote a column for The Democrat newspaper continuously for a number of years until her death.

Vallie and Fannie had eight children. Milton (1914?-1960) married Geraldine Thornton. He was killed in a mine accident in Canton, Illinois.

Dean (1918-1993) married Maxine Moore and worked at Pyramid and Consolidated mines. Wayne (1920-1992) married Doris Loucks and worked for Pyramid Coal Company and was a member of the Operating Engineers Union.

Marjorie (1924) married Noble Harrison who was killed accidentally while helping move their house. Later, she married Blane Vines who was a railroader with Missouri Pacific. Audrey (1926-1985) married Owen McCarty who was retired from the military and lived in California. Frances (1928) married Joe Ramsey who was a member of the Ironworkers of America Union. She received her Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, and Ph.D. degrees and was a consultant and professor.

Merle (1931) married Aurora Castro. He received his Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, and Ed. D. degrees and is a professor and an ordained minister. Pearle (1931-1997) married Clark Reinhardt who was a policeman in St. Louis. She received her Registered Nurse degree and was head of surgical suites at major hospitals in St. Louis.

Vallie and Fannie and their ancestors have made a major contribution to the establishment of a great county and state. They are buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery.

## MC INTYRE-CUNNINGHAM

Louis Blair McIntyre was born in Six Mile Prairie near Cutler, Illinois on 03 December 1930 to Clyde Graham (1892-1957) and Helen Blair McIntyre (1897-1996). Blair had two brothers, Edward of Swanwick and Marshall of North Canton, Ohio. He attended North Six Mile, Devinney, and Kraft grade schools in Perry County and Pinckneyville Community High School, where he graduated in 1948. He spent two years in the United States Air Force. He was employed at Zeigler Coal Company for 31 years. Blair passed away 30 July 1991 in St. Elizabeth's Hospital in Belleville, Illinois. Phyllis Joyce Cunningham was born 26 May 1931 at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois to Walter Francis Cunningham (1898-1964) and Mary Gertrude (Quigley) Cunningham (1899-1958). She had two brothers, Donald, who died in infancy, and James (1928-1996) and one sister, Doris (1923-1992). She attended Swanwick grade school and Pinckneyville Community High School, graduating in 1948. She worked in the offices of Randolph Service Company in Sparta until 1951. Blair and Joyce were married 20 January 1951 in the Cutler United Presbyterian Church. They had two sons, Jeffrey Blair and Joel Keith.

Jeffrey was born 13 June 1952 in Sheppard Air Force Hospital, Wichita Falls, Texas. He attended Swanwick Grade School and Pinckneyville High School, graduating in 1970. He attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and enlisted in the Army National Guard 1971-1977.

Joel was born 22 August 1954 in St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Belleville, Illinois. He attended Swanwick Grade School and Pinckneyville High School graduating in 1972. He

attended the University of Illinois earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture in 1976. He is married to Rita Fontana and they are parents of daughters, Tara Hope and Noelle Blair.



*Louis Blair and Phyllis Joyce (Cunningham) McIntyre.*

On 18 December 1957 a tornado destroyed their home near Cutler. They moved into the century-old home in Swanwick which had been Joyce's grandparents' home and remains her home today. She attends the Swanwick Presbyterian Church (the church her parents and grandparents attended) regularly with her family and enjoys walking, reading, playing the piano and spending time with her family.

## MC INTYRE-FONTANA

Joel Keith McIntyre was born 22 August 1954 in Belleville, Illinois to Louis Blair McIntyre (03 December 1930-30 July 1991) and Phyllis Joyce Cunningham (26 May 1931) of Swanwick. He had one brother, Jeffrey, of Coulterville.

Joel attended Swanwick Grade School and Pinckneyville Community High School, where he graduated in 1972. He then continued his studies at the University of Illinois in Champaign, earning a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture in 1976.



*Joel, Rita, Tara and Noelle McIntyre.*

Following college, Joel worked in several agricultural vocations, starting as a farmer through the mid 1980s. He then was a sales representative for KAR Products. Since 1990 he has served the needs of farmers while working as a plant foreman for Crop Production Services, then from 1993 as a Certified Crop Advisor employed by Twin County Service Company. He is registered with the American Society of Agronomy.

Spare time pursuits include reading, gardening and his greatest passion, outside of family, is aviation.

Rita Marie Fontana was born 12 December 1958 in Pinckneyville, Illinois to Albert Fontana (28 September 1922-03 November 1972) and Lillian Irene Dempsey (02 September 1926). She has two older brothers: Dennis (married to Jane

Reidelberger) of Pinckneyville and Anthony (married to Kathryn Jenkel) of Carbondale; and one older sister, Donna (married to Peter Watson) of St. Louis, Missouri.

Rita attended St. Bruno's Parochial School and Pinckneyville High School. She got her first job at the Democrat newspaper during her high school years. Upon graduating in 1976, she went on to Rend Lake College, then transferred to Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. She worked at the Du Quoin P.N. Hirsch store during the summer vacation from college. She graduated from Southern in 1980 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Journalism.

She was then employed by the Spokesman Publishing Company of Christopher as an advertising account executive. Following this, she worked at Meis Department Store in the University Mall in Carbondale, Handleman Company and Cunningham Insurance in Pinckneyville. She is currently employed at Pinckeyville District #50 as a substitute teacher's aide. Her interests include reading, drawing and walking.

Joel and Rita were married 14 February 1987. They had a stillborn daughter, Christina, in 1987 and a stillborn son, Adam, in 1989. They are buried in Swanwick Bethel Cemetery. They now have two daughters: Tara Hope McIntyre, born 22 June 1991, and Noelle Blair McIntyre, born 26 June 1993.

## MC MURRAY-TERRY

Clara Myrtle Terry, born 19 October 1893 in Sunfield, eldest daughter of Eber Monroe and Maggie Mae Franklin Terry, grew up in Du Quoin. In Murphysboro on 14 June 1913 she was united in marriage to Carl McMurray, born 12 October 1888, fifth child of Thomas Malcolm and Mary Susan (Irvin) McMurray. Most of their 68 years of marriage they lived in Du Quoin, living briefly in Herrin and Carbondale. They were active members of the Old Du Quoin and First Baptist Churches; Carl ordained a Deacon at Old Du Quoin; and both taught Sunday school.



*(front) William Dean McMurray, Clara (Mrs. Carl) McMurray, Carl McMurray, (back) Wilma (McMurray) Walker, Walter Allen McMurray, Eleanor Venita (McMurray) Janello.*

They were the parents of two boys and two girls. Walter Allen McMurray was born 16 November 1915 and died 16 September 1978. He married Cora Ruth Schwinn Kelly, born 09 March 1916, on 01 January 1937. They were the parents of: LaDonna Lyle (Kelly) Geddes, born 20 May 1935, died 26 October 1995; Nancy Dale (McMurray) Grosse, born 02 October 1940; Dianna Dean (McMurray) Kuhnert, born 12 April 1942; Michael Allen McMurray, born and died 10 February 1943; Conrad Allen McMurray, born



August 1944, died 22 July 1973; and Sharon Elaine McMurray, born and died 12 September 1946. Walter worked as a machinist at Majestic Mine, and later, mine and tippie construction. Ruth is a homemaker and grows beautiful flowers in her yard.

William Dean McMurray, born 18 November 1917 in Du Quoin, graduated from Du Quoin High School; entered military service soon after Pearl Harbor, serving as a Captain in the Army Corps of Engineers. Upon his return from service he married Ruth Eileen Rigdon, born 27 April 1920 and died on 14 February 1947. Dean also worked at Du Quoin Packing Company, Metropolitan and Bituminous Casualty Insurance in Herrin. Following Eileen's death, he was married briefly to Evelyn White Taft. He later married Norma Zuelke Mitchell on 25 October 1969. He lived most of his adult life in Herrin.

Wilma Ruth McMurray, born 29 April 1920 in Du Quoin, graduated from Du Quoin High School. On 06 April 1940 she married Thomas Eugene Dunavan; to this union was born David Eugene Dunavan (now Walker) on 29 January 1943. She married Walter Alonzo Walker, born 24 October 1911, died 27 September 1986, on 28 September 1946. She worked 37 1/2 years for the Illinois Central Railroad, retiring 31 March 1980 as Chief Clerk to Division Engineer. She had been retired 18 years and still lives in Du Quoin. Wilma Ruth is active in the First Baptist Church, is a 50-year member of the Eastern Star, and the Marshall Browning Hospital Auxiliary. Son, David E. Walker, works as Contract Administrator for Cyanimid, a major chemical company in Hannibal, Missouri, where he lives with wife, Jill Henderson Walker.

Eleanor Venita McMurray was born 31 August 1923 on the Enterprise Farm, southwest of Du Quoin. Having started school at age five, she graduated from Du Quoin High School at age 16, a little young to find employment in many places. On 18 October 1942 she married Francisco (Frank H.) Janello in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. They lived briefly in Du Quoin, moving to Benton and Carbondale. Frank was an agent for Metropolitan Life, later owner of Franklin Life Insurance. Venita worked in the office with Frank. Frank died 06 February 1978. They have two daughters: Pamela Sue Janello, born 22 June 1947 in Benton and Mary Ellen Janello Pogue Shasteen, born 18 March 1951 in Carbondale. Pam lives in Seattle and works for Microsoft. Mary Ellen married Scott Shasteen 03 May 1997. They live in Cobden and she works for Southern Illinois University. A granddaughter, Anne Christine Pogue, born 19 February 1980 to Mary Ellen and James Pogue, will graduate in May from Carbondale High School. *Submitted by Wilma McMurray Walker.*

## MC ROY

Lester and Marshall McRoy have been interested in aviation from their young life, and spent many hours cutting and putting together planes made from wooden shotgun shell (ammunition) crates that the boxes were shipped in. Later, they began building rubber band models from balsa wood kits, both free flight both single and bi-wing planes.

In 1936 they advanced to building free flight gas models from kits with wing-spans of three to six foot. These were painted red and yellow. The

reason for this color, in case they were lost in flight they could be easily found.

Both enlisted in the Navy at different times in 1942. Lester held the rank of AOM2/c, was in the squadron VC24, attached to the carrier USS Belleau Wood (CVL) where he flew as an aerial gunner in a SBD Douglas Dive-bomber, a two-man plane. When he was discharged, he returned to Du Quoin where he married Mary Louise Causer on 25 June 1945. Three children were born to them, two daughters and one son: Sherry Lynn McRoy Krone, Penny Sue McRoy Edie, and Michael Harry McRoy. He has eight grandchildren and one great grandson, Tayler James McRoy. The grandchildren are: Stach Ann, Tommy Buckley, and Henry Michael Krone; Eric Wayne, Christopher Michael, and Angela Marie McRoy; Andrew Leonard and Meredith Louise Edie.



*Lester and Marshall Du Quoin Airport 1941.*

Marshall held the rank of Lieutenant Commander and was a Navy pilot flying torpedo planes, the TBFs, attached also to the USS Belleau Wood carrier but later, after the SBD squadron was moved to a land base.

Marshall married Barbara Watson of Honolulu, Hawaii while he was in the Navy on 26 January 1946. They had two daughters: Patricia McRoy Eguire, born in Du Quoin, and Marsha McRoy Roost and four grandchildren born in Hawaii. Grandchildren: Lola and Austin Eguire; Billy Jack and Billy Jean Roost.

Both were in the South Pacific Theater with Marshall being called back in service during the Korean theater. Marshall made his home in Hawaii while Lester and family stayed in Du Quoin.

## MACALUSO-CONTE

James Conte was born in Italy 1880. While in Italy he married Clementina De Marchi who was born in Italy in 1883. They arrived in Staunton, Illinois about 1907 then moved to Du Quoin, Illinois about 1912. They raised six children: Meneo, Wante, Katie, Joanna, Irene and Louis.

John Macaluso was born in Sicily about 1906. He came to America about 1914 with his parents, Santo and Grace Macaluso. They had six other children: Angelina, Jose, Mellie, Charles, Mary and Sam.

John Macaluso and Joanna Conte were married in 1929. They had three boys: Sam, Jim and Louie.

Ervin Fisher and Catherine Dudley were raised in southern Illinois and had six children: Junior, Liz, Alberta, Shirley, Gladys and Jean. In 1951 Sam Macaluso and Liz Fisher were married and had three children: Tina, Louis, and Rick. Tina lives in Mexico, Missouri, Louis in Lisle, Illinois, and Rick in Carterville, Illinois.

Tina married Steve Baitinger from Missouri. Rick married Darla Gregory who is from Illinois. Steve and Tina have three children:

Michelle, Greg, and Jennifer. Rick and Darla have two children: Danielle and Nathon.

Sam Macaluso lives in Du Quoin with wife Liz.

Sam states that when his grandmother Conte was on the train coming to Illinois she saw a banana for the first time. She did not know you had to peel the banana and tried to eat it, peeling and all. She immediately spit it out and it was many years before she could eat a banana.

## MALONE

William J. Malone was born 30 October 1781 in Mecklenburg County, Virginia. His parents were Jones and Anney Taylor Malone. He married Elizabeth Hardaway Short on 04 January 1821 in Rutherford County, Tennessee. Her parents were Batte and Patsey Short. Elizabeth was born 26 February 1792 in Mecklenburg County, Virginia.

They had seven children all born in Rutherford County, Tennessee. Jones was born 10 November 1821. He married Nancy Jane Huggins 07 August 1845 in Perry County, Illinois. He died 05 July 1909 in Oreana, Illinois. Burial was at Maroa Cemetery, Maroa, Illinois. They had seven children.

Edwin was born 16 October 1823. He married Amanda Lipe 27 April 1848 in Illinois. Died 12 March 1903 in Franklin County, Illinois. Edward was born 16 October 1823, died 15 October 1824 in Rutherford County, Tennessee. William Francis was born 09 September 1926. He married Elizabeth J. Hansford 20 October 1853 in Perry County, Illinois. He died 14 December 1916 in Peyton, Colorado. Elizabeth died 27 August 1902 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. They had nine children. (See Malone-Hansford history.)

Amanda Hardaway was born 02 December 1829. She married William Little 29 November 1849. Anderson Short was born 02 March 1831. He married Mary Elizabeth Gregory in 1852. He died 05 November 1922. Burial was in the Maroa Cemetery, Maroa, Illinois. They had six children: Thomas Burrell was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 08 April 1861. He married Mary Catherine Noward 07 March 1886. They had four children. He died 11 April 1944. Burial was in the Maroa Cemetery. Isaac Newton, born 28 January 1863 in Pinckneyville. He married Lucinda Jane Haggard 30 April 1889. They had two children. He died 21 July 1947. George Hosea was born 20 February 1870 in Pinckneyville. He married Iva Viola Bowden 18 June 1902. They had eight children. He died 10 June 1961. Burial was in the Maroa Cemetery. Viva Katherine was born 14 July 1874 in Pinckneyville. She married first Sterling Guy Noward, second Jacob Strawbridge, and third Fred Johnson. She had seven children. She died 15 April 1951. Perry Elmer born 09 February 1876. He married Anna Laura Todd 07 January 1903. They had six children. He died 29 August 1957. Ellen "Nellie" Diane born 1880. Married Francis Kennedy. They had seven children. She died in 1969 and burial was in the Maroa Cemetery. William and Elizabeth's last child was Francis Marion. He was born 11 December 1833. Married Lucinda Ellen Gregory in 1857. He died 15 December 1915 in Macon County, Illinois.

William J. was a farmer. He died 21 February 1836 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. After he died Elizabeth H. married Charles C. Glover 04 Feb-



ruary 1838. She died in Pinckneyville, IL 11 March 1846. Submitted by Rose Mary Malone Delmore.

## MALONE-HANSFORD

William Francis Malone was born 09 September 1826 in Rutherford County, Tennessee. His parents were William and Elizabeth H. Short Malone. He married Elizabeth Jane Hansford on 20 October 1853 in Perry County, Illinois. Elizabeth was born 21 December 1832 in Kentucky. Her parents were John and Faitha Thompson Hansford (see Hansford history).



*William Francis and Elizabeth Jane (Hansford) Malone.*

They had nine children, all born in Du Quoin, Illinois. John Francis, born 07 October 1855. He married Mary Eleanor "Nellie" McCollum 13 March 1890 in Du Quoin. He died 26 August 1932 in California and she died 13 April 1940 in California. Both are buried in the Mt. View Cemetery in Altadena, California (see Malone-McCollum history). William Robert was born 17 April 1857. Married Mary Ann Garver 10 September 1885 in Piatt County, Illinois. They had three children. He died 10 September 1892 and she died in 1904. Burial was in the Monticello Cemetery, Monticello, Illinois. Hester Faitha Ann was born 07 April 1859. Died 18 January 1860 in Du Quoin. Thomas Edwin was born 12 March 1861. Died 10 September 1861 in Du Quoin. Both are buried at the Nine Mile Baptist Cemetery near Du Quoin. Julia Isabella was born 29 January 1863. She married Edwin Warren Benedict 31 December 1888. They moved to Topeka, Kansas and then to California. She died 26 January 1924 in San Diego, California and burial was in Los Angeles, California. They had five children. Hiram Orson was born 17 March 1865. Married Mary Helen Barningham 12 September 1888 in Apple River, Illinois. They had one daughter, Edith Blanche born 30 December 1894 in Weldon, Illinois. Married George Eivins 29 November 1917 in Salem, South Dakota. They had two children. Marjorie Helen was born 1919 in South Dakota. She married Emil Swartling in 1946 in Olympia, Washington. They have four children. Jean Ardis was born 1928 in Nebraska. Married Robert Chase in 1951 in Olympia, Washington. They have two children. Edith Eivins died in 1984 and her husband George died in 1957. Both died in Washington and are buried in Olympia, Washington. Hiram Orson died 18 February 1927 and Mary Helen died 01 January 1928. Burial was in the Weldon Cemetery, Weldon, Illinois. Clara E. was born 15 March 1868. Died 29 June 1869; buried at the Nine Mile Baptist Cemetery. Clarence Vincent was born 20 February 1872. Married Acenith Myram Koehler about 1903 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Died 30 April 1965 in Temple City,

California. He was an accountant. Alford Hansford was born 20 February 1874. Died 17 July 1874; buried at the Nine Mile Baptist Cemetery near Du Quoin.

The family moved to Macon County, Illinois around 1874. Then they moved to Piatt County, Illinois and bought a farm in the Goose Creek Township near Deland, Illinois in 1880. Around 1901 William and Elizabeth moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado. Clarence their son lived there. Elizabeth Jane died 27 August 1902 in Colorado Springs, Colorado, and was buried in the Evergreen Cemetery near that city. William Francis died 14 December 1916 at his son John's farm in Peyton, east of Colorado Springs. He was also buried in the Evergreen Cemetery. A few years later Clarence V. and also the John F. family moved to southern California. Submitted by Rose Mary Malone Delmore.

## MALONE-MC COLLUM

John Francis Malone was born 07 October 1855 in Du Quoin, Illinois. His parents were William Francis and Elizabeth Hansford Malone (see Malone-Hansford history). He married Mary Eleanor "Nellie" McCollum 13 March 1890 in Du Quoin. She was born 15 October 1869 in Du Quoin. Her parents were Isaac J. and Melissa Mitchell McCollum (see McCollum-Mitchell history).



*(back) Earl F. and Edgar W. Malone; (front) John F. and Mary "Nellie" Malone.*

John and Mary "Nellie" lived in Du Quoin where their first son Earl Francis was born on 17 December 1890. Then they moved to Goose Creek Township near Deland, Piatt County, Illinois where their second son, Edgar William, was born 28 December 1898 (see Malone-Wolf history). Around 1906 they moved to Peyton, Colorado. John's father and relatives lived in Colorado Springs, Colorado. John and family had a farm in Peyton and they lived there until around 1911 when they moved to Colorado Springs. They lived and worked there until they moved to southern California in 1923.

Earl Francis Malone married Rachel Meyer 28 August 1920 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. They had two children. Earl Francis Jr. was born 17 December 1921 in Colorado Springs. Married Lorraine Pound 11 July 1942 in Pasadena, California. He worked for Lockheed Air Craft for many years. They have four children all born in California. Gary born 1945, wife Mechelle, one daughter Vivian. Bruce, born in 1948, wife Faith, two sons Michael and Christopher. Dale, born 1951, wife Vinda. Bonita born 1952, husband Monty Ohren, children Terri, Heather and Alan. Earl Jr. died 04 August 1978 in Panorama City, California.

Phyllis, born 20 June 1925 in Pasadena, California. Married Delbert Walkley 08 September 1946 in Creswell, Oregon. Phyllis was a secretary for the school district and Delbert worked in the wood products industry. They have three children all born in Cottage Grove, Oregon. Carol born 1948 married Larry Flory 16 March 1968. They have two children, Anjie and Chris. Donna born 1949 married Bob Magden now divorced, two children, Jeremy and Nikki. Stephen born 1950 married Terry Russell now divorced, one son Matthew born 1982.

Earl was an auto mechanic and Rachel a nurse when she was young. They moved to Oregon around 1944 from California. Earl died 16 June 1976, Rachel died 01 February 1977 in Cottage Grove, Oregon. Both are buried in Lane Memorial Cemetery in Eugene, Oregon.

John and Mary "Nellie" lived in Pasadena, California. John died there on 26 August 1932. Mary "Nellie" died 13 April 1940 in Van Nuys, California. Both are buried in the Mt. View Cemetery in Altadena, California. Submitted by Rose Mary Malone Delmore.

## MALONE-WOLF

Edgar William Malone was born 28 December 1898 at Goose Creek Township near Deland, Piatt County, Illinois. His parents were John and Mary "Nellie" McCollum Malone (see Malone-McCollum history). Married Theresa Rose Wolf 16 June 1925 in Los Angeles, California. They had two daughters. Rose Mary born 30 October 1932 in Los Angeles, California. Married Duane Delmore 18 July 1952 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. He was born 05 March 1929 in Eugene, Oregon. They have two children. Stephen was born 11 March 1956 in Eugene, Oregon. Married Debra Arbuckle in 1980 in Philomath, Oregon. Debra was born 06 June 1956 in Corvallis, Oregon. Their sons are David born 1985 and Thomas born 1987, both born in Corvallis, Oregon. Steve is a fire fighter for the city of Corvallis, Oregon.

Gail was born 27 August 1957 in Eugene, Oregon. Married Stephen Perry in 1982 in Eugene, Oregon. Stephen was born 19 December 1956 in Honolulu, Hawaii. Their two children are Theresa born 1988 and Vincent born 1990 in Seattle, Washington. Stephen served in the Washington National Guard and works for Boeing Aerospace.

Duane served in the United States Army for four years and is a Korean War veteran. He retired from the Eugene, Oregon fire department after 33 years. Rose Mary is a homemaker and pursues genealogy as a hobby.

Ellen was born 15 February 1934 in Los Angeles, California. Married Billy Robinson 18 February 1954 in Colorado Springs, Colorado. There are four children in the family all born in Colorado. Connie, born in 1952, was from Ellen's previous marriage. Connie married John Edwards in 1974, now divorced. John served in the United States Army and is a Vietnam veteran. Their two daughters are Jennifer born 1976 and Jaime born 1980. Both were born in Colorado Springs. Billie born 1955 married Donald Chilson in 1974. Donald served 19 years in the United States Air Force and is a Gulf War veteran. Their two daughters are Shawn born 1977 and Dawn born 1979. Both were born in Texas. Diana born 1957 married John Moreland in 1976. Their two children



are Misty born 1977 and Andrew born 1984. Both were born in Colorado Springs. Kimberly born 1962 married Brian McCullough in 1986 in Colorado Springs. Kim and Brian live in Seattle, Washington.

Ellen owned a ceramic shop in Colorado Springs for many years and is very artistic. She won many awards for her creations. Bill served in the United States Army for almost three years and was a World War II veteran. He retired from the telephone company after 37 years. Bill passed away 23 December 1996.

Edgar, Theresa and family moved to Creswell, Oregon from Van Nuys, California in 1943. Then in 1951 they moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado. Edgar "Ed" was a meat cutter and a fire fighter. Theresa worked for the Colorado Springs school district in the hot lunch program.

Edgar died 27 October 1968 in Fairplay, Colorado. Theresa died 28 July 1990 in Colorado Springs. Both are buried in the Evergreen Cemetery in Colorado Springs, Colorado. Edgar's grandparents William F. and Elizabeth Hansford Malone are buried in the same plot. *Submitted by Rose Mary Malone Delmore.*

## MANGIN-MILLER

Katherine Miller, born 13 February 1870 in Perry County, the second child of John and Maria E. Schwartz Miller, was married 07 February 1893 at Pinckneyville to Frank Mangin, born 10 November 1867 at Pinckneyville, a son of Nickolas and Josephine (Martin) Mangin. Frank and Katherine had four children: Mary Elizabeth, Louis, Joe and John Frank. Katherine died 28 February 1908 in Perry County and Frank died 11 February 1952 in Anna, Illinois. Both are buried in St. Bruno Catholic Cemetery, Pinckneyville.

Mary Elizabeth, born 19 January 1894 in Perry County, was married 21 July 1914 at Pinckneyville to Jacob Hagene, born 24 November 1887 at Waterloo, a son of Nickolas and Emelia Goodman Hagene (see Perry County History Book Volume 1). Their eleven children were: Francis Joseph, Catherine Amelia, Clarence Jake, Carl, Louis Joseph, Marcella, Jacob, Raymond W., Helen Marie, Lawrence John and Mary Ann. Mary E. died 15 June 1969 and Jacob died 01 February 1980, both in Pinckneyville. They are buried in St. Bruno's Catholic Cemetery (see Hagene-Mangin history).

Louis, born 22 August 1897 at Pinckneyville, was married 11 October 1922 at Du Quoin to Minnie Wendling, born 14 May 1899 at Du Quoin, a daughter of Ed and Emma Oestreicher Wendling. They had three children: Hilda L., Loretta E., and Frank. Louis died 27 December 1976 at Du Quoin and is buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin.

Hilda, born 11 October 1924 at Centralia, was first married 13 September 1941 at Perryville, Missouri to George E. Bernhard, born 01 April 1921 at Du Quoin, a son of George G. and Hazel Roberts Bernhard. George and Hilda had two children: Teddi Lea and George Louis. George E. died 30 January 1965 at Du Quoin and buried in Zeigler Cemetery, Zeigler. Hilda was married second 05 May 1967 at Nashville, Illinois to Bob E. Allen, born 02 August 1927 at Xenia, Illinois, a son of Thoron and Luna Richardson Allen.

Loretta, born 03 September 1927 at Du Quoin, was married 19 April 1950 at Du Quoin to Charles W. Lutes, born 11 September 1926 at

Christopher, Illinois, son of Charles and Bessie Dickworth Lutes. They had no children.

Frank, born 06 November 1930 at Du Quoin, was first married 22 November 1952 at Piggott, Arkansas to Charlene Owens, born 05 October 1935 at Du Quoin, a daughter of William and Loa Eakin Owens. They adopted one child, Kenneth Paul, born 05 November 1959 at Benton, Illinois. Frank and Charlene were divorced in 1967. Frank was married second on 19 January 1968 at Nashville, Illinois to Charlotte Eyre, born 18 October 1939 at Du Quoin, a daughter of Richard and Juanita Cook Eyre. They had one child, Nikki Christine, born 16 November 1971 at Du Quoin.

Joe, born 07 March 1899 at Pinckneyville, never married and died 13 February 1920. He is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery. John Frank, born 26 July 1890, died in 1896 at age six and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## MANN-MALINSKI

Joseph George Mann, born 03 June 1934, is the sixth child of Bernard and Magdalen Ruppert Mann. Joseph married Mary Ann Malinski 26 November 1959 at St. Bruno's Catholic Church in Pinckneyville. Mary Ann was born 29 October 1941 in Perry County, the daughter of Roman Richard and Mary Catherine Seibert Malinski. Mary was raised on a farm four miles east of Pinckneyville, the oldest daughter of seven children.



*The Joseph G. Mann Family.*

Joseph was raised on Mulberry Street two doors east of Joe and Mary's present residence on the corner of Grant and Mulberry Streets in Pinckneyville. In October of 1994, Joe retired from Captain Coal Mine where he was employed for 29 years.

Joe and Mary have a family of four children. The oldest is Rose Marie, born 26 March 1961. She is a Certified Public Accountant and lives and works in St. Louis, Missouri. She married Stephen H. O'Brien on 03 June 1989. From this union were born two children: Michael Frederick born 15 August 1992 and Mary Catherine born 20 September 1995.

Jane Louise, born 15 August 1962, lives in Chicago, Illinois and is active in the Infant Welfare Society of Chicago. She married David Kent Barclay on 15 May 1993. They have one son, William Francis Barclay, born 17 January 1996.

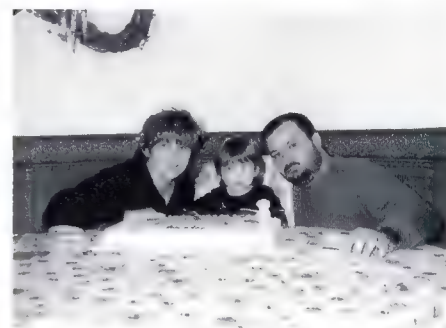
Bernard Albert Mann is the third child of Joe and Mary, born 06 January 1964. Bernard was married to Rhonda Bird, they have one son Travis Joel, born 01 November 1982. Bernard is a Registered Pharmacist working and living in St. Louis, Missouri.

Margaret Catherine, the fourth child of Joe and Mary, was born 08 July 1965. She married Ronald Paul Przygoda on 11 July 1987. Margaret teaches fifth grade at St. Bruno's School in Pinckneyville and lives east of Pinckneyville. They have a daughter, Jessica Catherine, born 16 July 1990 at Carbondale, Illinois, and a son, Jeremiah Paul, born 07 July 1993 at Carbondale, Illinois.

Additional information about the Mann-Malinski families can be found in The History of Perry County, Volume I on page 219. *Submitted by Joseph G. Mann.*

## MAREK-HEAPE

Steven Anthony Marek (born 06 February 1966) was born in Du Quoin, Illinois to Thomas Anthony and Sandra Kay (Seibel) Marek. He is the oldest of three children. He has two sisters, Karen Kay (Marek) Allen (born 05 May 1968) and Lana Leane Marek (born 24 October 1973).



*Jill, Hadley, and Steve Marek.*

Steven attended Sacred Heart School in Du Quoin from 1972-1980. He graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1984. He earned his Bachelor of Arts Degree at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, Illinois, majoring in Speech Communications with a minor in Economics and Political Science. He began working for County Companies Insurance as an insurance agent in 1989.

Steven married Jill Ann Heape (born 14 January 1966) on 07 March 1992 at the Sacred Heart Church in Du Quoin. She is the daughter of Robert Loren and Sharon Kay (Miller) Heape. Jill has two older siblings, Todd Robert Heape (born 01 May 1963) and Susan Kay (Heape) Harsha (born 25 September 1964).

Jill attended Du Quoin public schools and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1984. She graduated from Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois in 1987. She earned two Associate Degrees, in Medical Office Specialties and Word Processing. Jill worked as an office assistant for an ENT for six years, at which time the practice closed. She currently works one day a week for an audiology clinic and is a homemaker the rest of the time!

Together, Steven and Jill reside in Du Quoin with their daughter, Hadley Ann Marek (born 12 January 1995). They are expecting their second child in February 1998.

## MAREK-SEIBEL

In late fall of 1950, Walter and Doris Crews Seibel moved to Du Quoin with their five-year-old daughter, Sandra Kay (born 11 February 1946). Walt had been transferred from Truax Traer Burn-



ing Star #1 coal mine to Burning Star #2 mine located near Pinckneyville, Illinois. Sandy attended R. A. Wheatley, J. B. Ward and Du Quoin Township High School.

Tom Marek (born 25 June 1944) is the son of Berniece Kowzan Marek and Loddie Marek, lifetime residents of Du Quoin. He attended Sacred Heart School, graduated from Du Quoin Township High School and attended Vocational Technical Institute at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He has one brother, Paul Michael Marek (born 14 August 1942).

Tom and Sandy dated all through their high school years and were married on 28 November 1964 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. To that union was born Steven Anthony (born 06 February 1966), Karen Kay (05 May 1968) and Lana LeAne (24 October 1973). All three children graduated from Sacred Heart School and Du Quoin High School. Steve graduated from Eastern Illinois University, Charleston, Illinois, Karen, from Southern Illinois University, and Lana from John A. Logan and is still pursuing her education to become a Registered Nurse.

Steve lives with his wife, Jill Heape Marek, and daughter, Hadley Ann (born 12 January 1995). Karen married Dale Allen and lives in Sesser, Illinois with their daughter Kaylee Marek Allen (born 13 January 1996). Lana resides at home working for Dr. Craig Furry and still goes to school.

Tom worked at Freeman United Coal Company from 1966-1996 when they closed the mine. He now works as an Outreach Counselor for the Farm Resource Group. Sandy has spent time as a beautician, mother and housewife, real estate sale woman, clerk and secretary. Sandy is now employed by Universal Music and Video Distribution as a secretary for the Maintenance Department.

## MARLOW-LYNCH-CHEEK

Isaac Marlow, who was born 18 October 1832 in Stone County (?), Illinois married Mary M. Lynch on 09 January 1861. Mary was born 25 December 1845 in Stone County (?), Illinois to Joseph (born 1815 Tennessee; died 20 January 1860) and Mariah (nee Bridges) (born 1816 Tennessee). Joseph and Mariah were married 16 April 1837. After Isaac's death, Mariah married James Cheek on 24 December 1862.



Isaac and Mary M. Lynch Marlow.

Isaac was buried in the Stanley Keene Cemetery in Perry County. It is believed his parents were both born in Virginia. Submitted by Violet Kelley Trigg.

## MARTIN

George Martin was born in Kentucky about 1805. In the 1840 United States Census, George

was in Perry County, Illinois and in 1850 the census shows he is alone and his children are:

Margarette (01 February 1829 died Decatur, Illinois) married Pendleton Worthy Jones, and their children were Luthur (1852), Jim (1854), George (1856), Theodora (1858), Eunice (1860), Sis (1862), and Mary Emilie (1864).



Nellie Grace Keith Martin with great grand daughter Rita Ackerman about 1955.

John (11 January 1831/33 Tamaroa, Illinois area) married Sarah Jane Davis on 17 August 1856 in Du Quoin, Illinois. James T. (1835) wed Permella Keller on 01 November 1855. Jephtha (1836) wed Margaret Ann Haggard.

Rachel L. (1837-25 December 1866) wed first 03 December 1857 Matthew F. M. Keller, child: George Keller (1859), and wed second Joseph D. Willis with no known children.

Delila S. (1841) married Robert G. Keller. Mary Ann "Polly" (1844) married William "Bill" Newsom, child: Minnie (1869) wed J. W. Powell, children: Clara A. (1869) and Cora "Lola" B. (20 April 1896-23 December 1975) wed Garland P. Causey child: Floyd Causey of Ft. Worth, Texas (Bill and Polly moved to Mt. Vernon, Texas with John and Sarah Jane Martin and Asa and Sarah Elizabeth Hill and their families in about 1880).

William Russell (1845) married Sarah Keene, child: John (02 April 1881-25 July 1968) wed 12 July 1898 Effie Russell (05 May 1887-25 July 1967) child: Bessie who wed Loren Bishof, no known children. (See William Davis, John Martin, Asa Hill, William H. Smith, and John C. Keene histories.)

## MARTIN-CARROLL

Joseph Adam Martin (born 04 November 1939) is the youngest and third child of Simon (27 July 1904-28 August 1945) and Florence Mentel Martin (02 September 1904-15 July 1960). Joe attended St. Bruno's School all eight years and four at Pinckneyville Community High School, graduating in 1957. He worked in Rockford, Illinois for awhile before entering Logan Chiropractic School of Medicine in St. Louis. He graduated in 1963.

Joe Adam married Jane Adlynn Carroll, the oldest daughter of Patrick and Jane Carroll on 16 September 1961 in Nashville, Tennessee. He is practicing at the Martin Chiropractic Clinic in New Albany, Mississippi. Lynn received her Registered Nurse degree from St. Thomas School of Nursing in Nashville, Tennessee in 1961. They have three children: Joseph Adam II (born 01 June 1962), David Simon (born 29 July 1963), and Carroll Lynn (born 24 July 1964).

Joseph Adam II is also a graduate of Logan Chiropractic College of Medicine in St. Louis. He is in practice with his father in New Albany,

Mississippi. He married Tera Stanfield in Oxford, Mississippi 19 April 1986. They have two children: Hannah Nicole (born 17 July 1987) and Joseph Adam III (born 27 December 1988).



Joseph Adam Martin, Lynn Martin, Shirley Martin Bigham.

David Simon married Dana Marie Howell 21 September 1996 in Springfield, Missouri. They have one son, David Simon Martin, Jr., "Little Si", (born 11 September 1997). Simon runs two Dairy Queens; one in New Albany, Mississippi and one in Tupelo, Mississippi.

Carroll Lynn married Walter Samuel Walker 26 July 1986 in New Albany, Mississippi. Walt is a chiropractor in the Memphis area. Carroll is a flight attendant for Delta Airlines. They have three children: Walter Samuel III (born 30 March 1988), Baileigh Carroll (born 07 November 1990), and Jacob Martin (born 24 August 1992).

## MARTIN-DAVIS

John Martin married Sarah Jane Davis (son of George Martin and daughter of William and Sarah Muench Davis). John was born 22 January 1831/33 Pinckneyville/Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois, died 27 August 1907 Mt. Vernon, Franklin County, Texas. Sarah was born 09 September 1836 Virginia, and died 10 October 1903, Mt. Vernon, Texas. They were wed 17 August 1856 in Perry County, Illinois. In about 1880, John and Sarah's family moved to Mt. Vernon, Texas. Land was being developed in Texas about that time and people were moving West/South. John bought land north of Mt. Vernon to homestead. He was a farmer and logger. Had his own mill. On the United States Census they were living with their daughter Mary Catherine Fletcher in Mt. Vernon.

Their children: Sarah Elizabeth Martin (born 28 January 1859 Pinckneyville, Illinois; died 06 June 1936 Mt. Vernon, Texas) wed Asa Albert Hill, Jr. (born 21 February 1856 Pinckneyville, Illinois; died 15 November 1923 Mt. Vernon, Texas). (See Asa Albert Hill, Jr. history.)

Mary Catherine (born 19 June 1860 Pinckneyville, Illinois; died 10 March 1936; buried Marshall, Texas) wed first George Washington Fletcher in January 1882. He died in 1888. Their children: Elizabeth Jane "Bessie" (born 04 June 1883) wed Ellis Byrum, child was Paul Byrum wed Billie F. on 07 April 1943; Ollie John (1885-1890), Ethel George (26 June 1888-23 October 1934) wed Al Russom, children: Harry Albert (25 February 1910-30 December 1994), Edith Marie (10 September 1919) wed John McCafferty, children: John (1945), Barry (1951), Mary Jane (1946), Barney (1957), Patricia (1948-1976), Elizabeth Jane (1953), Michael (1950), Harvey (1955), Mary Catherine (1959), Martha Virginia (1962). Mary Alice (01 December 1921-05 Sep-



tember 1954), Jane Ellen (06 June 1928) wed 07 August 1947 to Robert Camus, children: Robert Alfred (1950), Jane (1952), Viola (deceased in Illinois).

Mary's other marriages were to Mr. Parker and Mr. Bolt.

Alva Waldo Martin (16 October 1862 Pinckneyville, Illinois-November 1932 Mt. Vernon, Texas) wed Mary Alice Beggs (05 September 1857-05 February 1939 Mt. Vernon, Texas), children: Maude Mae (25 March 1893 Mt. Vernon, Texas) wed Cox, child: Robert Edward Cox. Raymond (03 March 1891-17 May 1908). Hallie (26 July 1895-13 July 1973). John Lester (01 February 1904) wed Ellen Seay Draper, children: John H. Martin (13 September 1931) wed Jane Samp, child: Sandra; and Ray Martin. Lizzie wed Bob Hightower, children: Burian (1925) wed Dorothy



Ann, children: Jackie, Jill, Bobby and Randy; Dorothy Jean (1929) wed Leacho Tittle, children: Leacho Wayne, Nan Braddock, Jan Land. Jo Ann (1934) wed Billy Rouse. Mary Sue (1927) wed Lloyd Ed Kofahl, children: Karen Sue and Lloyd Jr.

William Davis Martin (22 May 1866 Pinckneyville, Illinois-01 November 1932 Mt. Vernon, Texas) married Fannie Blake (06 August 1874-13 October 1907 Mt. Vernon, Texas) their children are: Ralph Alonzo (09 March 1892-05 April 1947) wed Reba Kitts, children: William Maurice (1914-1936), Roy Charles (1918) child: Klyne and a daughter. Roy Davis wed Ioma Thomas, child: Kathleen Martin Bean wed Eldon Bean; Klyne Willie (1889-1977) wed Bobbie. John Blake wed Elva Whatley, children: Elva Irene Martin Dikes wed Bill Dikes, children: Braxton, Dede, and John; and John William "Bill" Martin wed Mary. Wm. and Fannie also had a daughter, Fannie Birdie, who died at seven months. (See George Martin, William Davis, Asa Hill Sr. histories.) Submitted by Melba Hill Cook.

## MARTIN-FELTMEYER

Bernard Charles Martin was born in Du Quoin, Illinois on 20 May 1948 to George F. and Caroline (Bruns) Martin. He grew up on the family farm in the Pyatt community. He has four brothers: George J., Joseph, Frank and John and five sisters: Juliann, Carolyn (deceased), Mary, Joann (deceased) and Catherine (deceased). Joann passed away in 1972 and shortly after George and Caroline adopted her four children, Steve, Tammy, Mary and Chris.

Melissa "Jane" Feltmeyer was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 16 July 1948 to Christian W. and Marie K. (Fisher) Feltmeyer. She grew up west of Pinckneyville. She has two brothers:

John and Leroy and four sisters: Joann, Thelma, Mildred and Rosemary.

Bernard attended grade school at St. Bruno's Catholic School in Pinckneyville and Jane attended Beacoup Grade School on the west side of Pinckneyville. They both graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in May 1966. After graduation they were married on 12 August 1966 in Pinckneyville and to this union four children were born: Anthony Scott (born 12 February 1968), Amy Ronette (born 02 June 1969), Charles Matthew (born 17 January 1973), and Michael Joseph (born 13 April 1976).



*Martin-Feltmeyer 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1996.*

On 14 February 1987 Scott married Beth Reidelberger. They have two sons, Bryce Anthony and Dylan Andrew. Scott is a welder at G. S. Metals and they reside in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Amy married Rodger Fuller, Jr. on 10 October 1987. They have two sons, Rodger Joseph III and Jonathon Dalton. Rodger is a salesman and they reside in Hawkinsville, Georgia.

Charles and Jodi Gail McDonnough were married on 10 September 1994. They have one daughter, Emily Grace. Charles is a mechanic at Jim's Repair in Nashville and they live in Pinckneyville.

Michael is unmarried and lives west of Pinckneyville. He is employed by Yeager Electric.

Bernard worked at the coal mines from 1967-1992. Presently he is employed as a mechanic at Jim's Repair in Nashville and during his spare time enjoys fishing. Jane is a housewife and enjoys baking. They both love spending time with their grandchildren.

## MARTIN-MENTEL

Dan Cupid, the tiny moulder of hearts and hands, brought to a fitting climax the courtship of two popular and well-known young people, Miss Florence Mentel (02 September 1904-15 July 1960), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adam Mentel of route three, Pinckneyville and Simon Martin (27 July 1904-28 August 1945), son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph H. Martin of route one Pinckneyville were united in the holy bonds of matrimony by Reverend J. A. Munier at the St. Bruno's Catholic Church, 04 June 1929, at 8:00 A.M.

The bridal couple were attended by Miss Irene Mentel, (31 October 1901-20 November 1997), sister of the bride, as bride's maid and Mr. Harry Eisenhauer, cousin of the groom. The Maid of Honor was Miss Theresa Martin, sister of the groom. The flower girl was Little Miss Margaret Ann Martin, sister of the groom, who was prettily dressed in white. The ring bearer was Master Charles Mann.

The beautiful wedding march was played by the church organist, Bertha Epplin, accompanied by Misses Luella and Emma Martin, cousins of the groom, who played a violin and drum.

(Except for the dates of births and deaths, this was copied from the original write-up that appeared in the Democrat, June 1929.)



*(back) Simon Martin, Harry Eisenhauer, (front) Charles Mann, Theresa Martin, Florence Mentel Martin, Irene Mentel, Margaret Ann Martin.*

Simon attended Ozburn School and St. Bruno's. Upon graduation from Coyne Electrical School in Chicago in 1929, he was employed by the United Electric Coal Company. He wired the first electric shovel at the United Electric Mine, which, in 1929, was the largest strip mine in the world.

Florence attended Nation School, St. Bruno's Catholic School and Pinckneyville Community High School, class of 1923. She also attended Athenaeum Business School in Fort Wayne, Indiana and Southern Illinois Normal University in Carbondale, Illinois. She taught at several schools in Perry County; the last fifteen years at Beacoup School on the west side of Pinckneyville, known as Diamond Town.

They had three children: Patricia Leona (born 13 July 1931), Shirley Jane (11 September 1934) and Joseph Adam (04 November 1939).

## MARTIN-SURMAN

On 04 June 1902, Elizabeth Surman (19 May 1885-02 January 1964), daughter of Simon Surman (28 October 1863-14 June 1943) and Walerija Skorczewski (09 October 1863-14 June 1943), married Joseph Henry Martin (20 January 1886-13 March 1946), son of Michael Martin (24 December 1848-24 January 1889) and Frances Kuntz (02 April 1847-16 February 1911).

To this union were born five sons and six daughters.

Mary Roselie (26 April 1903-05 February 1981) married Mark Surman (born 24 April 1901). They had five sons: Gerald John (born 27 July 1925), Leonard Joseph (born 21 July 1926), Sylvester Martin (born 14 April 1930), Kenneth Mark (born 17 December 1931) and Ronald Anthony (born 27 November 1934).

Simon Michael (27 July 1904-28 August 1945) married Florence Freda Mentel (02 September 1904-15 July 1960). They had one son and two daughters: Patricia Leona (born 13 July 1931), Shirley Jane (born 11 September 1934), and Joseph Adam (born 04 November 1939). (See Martin-Mentel history.)

Regina Elizabeth (born 06 September 1906) married John Clement Bruns. They had four sons and two daughters: Herman Eugene (20 July 1927-18 January 1998), Loretta Marie (02 May 1930-





*The Joseph and Elizabeth Surman Martin Family; (front) Margaret, Charles, Joseph, Elizabeth, James, Paul, (back) Frances, Dorothy, Mary, Simon, George, Regina, and Theresa.*

24 December 1986), Elizabeth Juliann (04 May 1933), Carl John (11 March 1935), Bernard William (31 December 1936) and Edward Joseph (06 May 1947).

Theresa Adeline (09 March 1910-01 November 1988) married Charles Albert Mucha (01 November 1904-23 July 1973). They had one daughter, Linda Carol (born 27 July 1944).

George Francis (23 April 1912-11 January 1997) married Caroline Laura Bruns (born 05 April 1913). They had five sons and five daughters. George Joseph (born 22 July 1934), Juliann Elizabeth (born 06 November 1935), Joseph Henry (born 02 July 1937), Francis Eugene (born 29 June 1938), John Louis (born 11 December 1939), Caroline Catherine (17 September 1941-24 April 1942), Mary Frances (20 June 1943), Joann Theresa (02 June 1945-11 July 1972), Bernard Charles (born 20 May 1948), and Catherine Marie (15 October 1954-25 June 1982). George and Carrie raised her brother, William's, children: Marilyn Ann Bruns (born 15 May 1952) and James Wayne Bruns (28 February 1950). They also adopted their daughter, Joann's, children when she died. They are: Steven Earl (born 03 June 1962), Tammy Sue (born 17 June 1963), Mary Catherine (born 28 January 1965), and Christine Lee (born 01 August 1966).

Dorothy Josephine (born 12 October 1915) married Frank Holecek (28 June 1910-03 April 1979). They had two sons and one daughter. Donald Francis (born 28 March 1941), Richard Joseph (born 09 December 1943) and Rosemary Elizabeth (born 15 May 1945).

Charles Joseph (15 November 1917-25 November 1992) married Rita Josephine Eisenhower (born 11 June 1919). They had two sons and three daughters. Carol Ann (born 24 July 1944), Katherine Jane (born 20 June 1946), David Michael (born 29 April 1949), Charles Allen (born 02 May 1952), and Mary Beth (born 22 April 1962).

Frances Valerie (born 05 March 1920) married John McLucky (01 January 1918-23 March 1977). They had no children; however, John and his first wife, Sarah Jane Mitchell, had one son and one daughter, David (born 25 September 1944) and Vickie (09 January 1942).

James Louis (11 February 1922-02 January 1998) married Lorene Schneider (born 12 February 1917). They had two sons and one daughter. Dorothy Jean (born 13 September 1943), James Louis (born 15 February 1946), and Gerald (born 14 January 1952).

Margaret Ann (born 16 March 1924) married Maurice Dwight Woodside (26 November 1922-August 1996). They had three sons and two daughters. Valerie Susan (born 15 October 1948), William Joseph (born 08 June 1950), Paul Thomas (born 12 June 1951), Michael Patrick (born 17 March 1954) and Kelly Ann (born 24 May 1962). Paul Leo (born 03 May 1925) married Elouise Kelly (born 13 March 1927). They have two sons and one daughter. Pam (born 22 May 1947), Paul Leo Jr. (born 15 April 1951) and Richard (born 19 December 1954).

### MASKE-PARSELL

Marjorie JoAnn Parsell, a 1984 Pinckneyville Community High School graduate and daughter of Ronald L. and JoAnn Greer Parsell of rural Coulterville, married Craig Thomas Maske, son of Thomas D. and Sylvia Estal Maske of Mt. Carmel, Illinois on 29 December 1989. The couple met while playing in the Marching Saluki Band at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Marjorie received her Bachelor's Degree in Marketing from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale in December 1988. Craig attended Southern for two years on a ROTC scholarship and then transferred to Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology in Terre Haute, Indiana to finish his studies. He graduated Cum Laude with a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering in February 1990. After living briefly together in Ina, Illinois, Craig went to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri to attend the Army Officer's Basic Course. Marjorie remained in Ina, Illinois and worked for Azusa Printing, Inc. in Mt. Vernon in a Sales/Estimating position. In October 1990, Craig left for Bamberg, Germany. Marjorie flew to Bamberg after receiving the news that Craig would soon be deploying to Operation Desert Shield. Craig deployed in December 1990 to Operation Desert Shield with B. Company 82<sup>nd</sup> Engineer Battalion who supported the 2<sup>nd</sup> Armored Cavalry Unit (VII Corps). After Craig's deployment Marjorie flew back to the United States to ship their belongings and returned to Germany in January 1991. Craig returned from Operation Desert Shield/Storm at the end of April 1991.

On 06 July 1993 the couple welcomed their first child, Thomas Christian, born at the Klinikum in Bamberg, Germany. The family returned to the United States in October 1993. They lived at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri until May 1994 when Craig left the Army with the rank of First Lieu-

tenant. The couple then moved to Bridgeton, Missouri and Craig went to work for SCI, Inc., a civil engineering firm located in St. Peters, Missouri.

The couple welcomed the addition of their second son, Trevor Dale on 15 March 1995. They then bought a home in Hazelwood, Missouri and moved in July 1995. The family still resides in Hazelwood. The couple welcomed their third child, Madeline JoAnn, on 18 October 1996.

Craig changed jobs in September 1997 and now works for Sverdrup, Inc., a world-wide engineering firm. He also is in the Army Reserves working in the Selective Service Branch with the rank of Captain. The Maskes are members of Hazelwood Baptist Church and are active in the choir and preschool area. Craig also plays trombone in the Praise band and Marjorie is the Coordinator for WeighDown and teaches the 11:00 am 2-year-old class.

### MASQUELETTE

Frank George Masquelette was born in Du Quoin on 05 April 1875. He was the eldest son of John Masquelet (1848-1913) and Bridget Reddington Masquelet (1855-1883). He was baptized under the name Francis Maurice Masquelet on 12 April 1875 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin, the witnesses being Frank Masquelet and Catherine Reddington. He and his parents moved to the Chicago area when he was about five years old, and his mother Bridget died in Lake, Cook County, Illinois, three years later. His father married Frank's stepmother Margaret Oswald in Lake on 03 February 1885, when Frank was not quite ten. Frank made his first communion at St. Augustine's Catholic Church in Chicago on 15 July 1888.



*F. G. Masquelette and his son Philip Reddington Masquelette circa 1910.*

Sometime thereafter he changed his name to Frank George Masquelette, adopting a new middle name and adding "te" to his surname. During the Spanish-American War he enlisted under his new name as a private in Company E, 7<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Illinois Infantry, at Springfield on 18 May 1898, giving his occupation as a pharmacist and his residence as Chicago. He served in the Hospital Corps until 14 February 1899. After his Army service he moved to Marion, Grant County, Indiana, where he was employed for a short time by the Sims Glass Company at nearby Sims, Indiana, a glass manufacturing business organized by his father John Masquelet. On 10 June 1903 Frank married Sarah Olive Fryer at St. Paul's Catholic Church in Marion. His wife was born on 28 September 1877 at Lake, Clare County, Michigan. She was the daughter of the Reverend Robert William Fryer (1847-1918) an Evangelical United Brethren minister who had been wounded



in action at Hatcher's Run, Virginia, while serving as a private in the Union Army during the Civil War, and Laura Belle Henderson Fryer (1857-1934) of Marion.

Frank took his bride to Dolive, Baldwin County, Alabama, where he was the bookkeeper for a lumber company, and where their son Philip Reddington Masquelette was born on 09 April 1904. Frank and Sarah Olive returned briefly to Marion to have their son baptized on 25 July 1904 in the same church where they were married.

Next the family moved to New Orleans, Louisiana, where Frank became a certified public accountant and a partner in the accounting firm of Robinson, Masquelette & Company in New Orleans. About 1910 they moved to Houston, Texas, where he became the first CPA in Houston, founding the accounting firm of F. G. Masquelette & Company. He practiced public accounting in Houston for more than forty years. At one time the firm had branch offices in El Paso, Texas, Albuquerque, New Mexico, and Los Angeles, California. The name of the firm was changed to Masquelette, Bruhl & Company shortly before Frank died on 09 November 1953 in a hospital in Marlin, Falls County, Texas, at the age of 78 years.

Their only son Philip Reddington Masquelette married Nelia Elizabeth Wilkins of Brenham, Washington County, Texas, in Galveston, Galveston County, Texas, on 24 July 1924. Nelia was born in Brenham on 06 March 1904. To this marriage were born two children: Philip Abbott Masquelette, born 16 January 1926, and Frank Reddington Masquelette, born 25 January 1930, both being born in Port Arthur, Jefferson County, Texas. Philip Reddington Masquelette died tragically in an automobile accident near Sherman, Grayson County, Texas, on 18 July 1930 at the age of 26 years, leaving his widow and two young sons. Frank and Sarah Olive took their daughter-in-law and two grandsons into their home in Houston and raised the two boys as their own.

Frank's widow Sarah Olive Fryer Masquelette continued to live in Houston until her death there on 01 July 1966, at the age of 88 years. Their grandson Frank Reddington Masquelette died there on 20 January 1991 at the age of 60 years. All four (the two grandparents, their son and their grandson) are buried on the same plot at Forest Park Lawndale Cemetery in Houston. Their other grandson Philip Abbott Masquelette currently resides in Houston, where he is a practicing attorney. *Submitted by Philip A. Masquelette.*

## MATHIS-SMITH

Paul Douglas "Doug" Mathis was born 05 December 1954, the youngest child of Paul Neil Mathis (14 December 1915-28 November 1997) and Dorothy Lillian (Kelley) Mathis (08 February 1918-13 July 1983). Paul and Dorothy were married 18 April 1935 in Nashville, Illinois and resided in Pinckneyville throughout their marriage.

In addition to Paul Douglas the other children born to this marriage are Dixie Darlene (Mathis) Tanner (04 January 1937), Larry Neil Mathis (29 July 1939), Max Gilbert "Mick" Mathis (24 August 1942), all of Pinckneyville, and JoDene (Mathis) Valentine (03 November 1947) of Richmond Hill, Georgia. The paternal grandparents of these children were Sarah (Donoghue) Mathis (born 07 September 1879) and George Mathis. The maternal grandparents were Guy James Kelley (25 September 1892-15 August 1956) and Emma

Rena (Davis) Kelley (06 November 1899-01 April 1960).

As a teenager Doug was an accomplished motorcycle racer and later won numerous ATV four-wheeler races as well. He graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School and received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale.

He married Christina Judith "Christi" Smith 27 July 1979. Christi is the daughter of Roy Allen Smith Sr. (25 April 1943) and Carolyn Judith (Davison) Smith (05 December 1943) of Du Quoin. Her younger sibling is Roy Allen Smith Jr. (21 January 1963) of Irvington.



*Shyler (13), Christi (36), Jalaigh (9), Doug (42 and Blayne (15) Mathis vacationing at Richmond Hill, Georgia 04 August 1997.*

Christi's maternal grandparents are Edna (Broyles) Davison (25 November 1919) and Thomas Davison (26 August 1910). Her paternal grandparents were Lillian (Johnson) Smith (born 27 June 1909) and Herbert Smith (born 05 May 1901).

Christi is a graduate of Du Quoin High School and received an associate in arts degree from Rend Lake College in Ina. While in school she was active in band, chorus, speech, and numerous clubs and held various editorial positions on the school newspaper.

To the marriage of Doug and Christi was born two sons and a daughter. Blayne Douglas Mathis was born 09 January 1982 followed by Shyler Justin Mathis born 10 June 1984 and Jalaigh Kristin Kelly Mathis born 14 January 1988.

Blayne recently turned sixteen years old, got his driver's license and his first car. He plays football, loves riding motorcycles, is a member of the Pinckneyville High School Lifesavers club and is a varsity member of the wrestling team. He is a lifeguard at the Bender pool and works at the Dairy Queen.

Shyler is an eighth-grader and loves sports including baseball and wrestling but his first love is basketball and he has played on the school team each year from grades five through eight. His nickname is "Pink".

Jalaigh is very active in swimming, gymnastics and tumbling and has won many awards and trophies in these sports. She also spends a lot of time visiting back and forth with friends and talking on the phone.

Doug has been employed as a maintenance technician at the Perry County Housing Authority since July 1992 and Christi has been employed as a correspondent for the Southern Illinoisian newspaper since 1987. The entire family enjoys traveling, attending sporting events, and being together. They are members of the Beaucoup Baptist Church of Pinckneyville and reside in Pinckneyville.

## MATTINGLY-MERCER

Margaret Virginia Mercer was born 09 May 1853 in Kentucky and died 02 March 1940 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She is buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin. Margaret was the daughter of David Mercer and Susan C. Judy, both from Kentucky. Margaret married first Eli Merion Mattingly before 1879, possibly in Grayson County, Kentucky. Eli was the son of William Mattingly and Barbara Spencer. Eli Merion Mattingly, born 03 June 1848 in Breckinridge County, Kentucky, died 10 July 1890. Margaret married second Jasper Miller 25 December 1896, possibly in Grayson County, Kentucky. Jasper was the son of Charles Miller and Elizabeth Hawkins.



*(back) Charlie Commean, Paul Dean Commean (baby in Gertrude's arms), Gertrude Miller Commean, Raymond Miller, Juanita Miller Gault, (front) Margaret Mercer Mattingly, Neomi Louis Commean (little girl), Palestine Mattingly Miller.*

Children of Margaret Mercer and Eli Mattingly are: Merion Mattingly (born 07 August 1879; died 02 November 1880); Gertrude "Cookie" Emma Mattingly (born 05 December 1882 in Leitchfield, Grayson County, Kentucky; died 06 September 1964 Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois); and Palestine Mae Mattingly (born 30 March 1887 Grayson County, Kentucky; died 06 June 1966 Tampa General Hospital, Tampa, Florida) who married Jolly Cashmere Miller 08 October 1903 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky, son of Jasper Miller and Elizabeth Fuls. Jolly died 13 July 1914 in Louisville, Kentucky and is buried in Shardon Cemetery, Louisville, Kentucky.

Eli Mattingly was living in Grayson County, Kentucky from 1873 to 1878 from Tax Receipts in Paul K. Commean's possession. Eli and Margaret Mattingly are found in the 1880 Census of Breckinridge County, Kentucky. Eli's parents were William Mattingly and Barbara Spencer both from Breckinridge County, Kentucky.

Margaret's maternal grandparents were Martin Judy IV and Nancy Burroughs. The surname Judy was originally spelled Tschudi in America but was changed to reduce spelling errors. The Tschudis were from Switzerland and Martin Tschudi III arrived in America in 1767. The Tschudi ancestry in Switzerland dates back hundreds of years. Sources: Tyler's Quarterly Magazine, Volumes 28 and 29, and Albert Bernhardt Faust, A.B., Ph.D. book, List of Swiss Emigrants in the Eighteenth Century to American Colonies. Both of David Mercer's parents were born in South Carolina per the 1800 Census of Kentucky.

After Eli Mattingly's death, Margaret Virginia Mattingly married Jasper Miller. Margaret's youngest daughter, Palestine Mattingly, married Jasper's son, Jolly Miller. Jolly and Palestine were



only related as step-brother and step-sister before their marriage. After Jolly Miller's death on 13 July 1914, Palestine Miller married Carl Johnson, possibly in Louisville, Kentucky. Gertrude (Mattingly) Wootton's daughter, Clara Lee Wootton, married Leo Paul Provart in Louisville, Kentucky in 1918. Both Carl and Leo were World War I veterans. Margaret moved to Du Quoin, Illinois in the early 1920s with her two daughters, Gertrude and Palestine, because Leo Provart and Carl Johnson were looking for work. Leo Provart's family who were living in the Du Quoin area told them there was plenty of coal mining work in Du Quoin. Juanita Gault remembers Margaret saying she had to run and hide from Morgan's Men when they came riding through Kentucky during the Civil War. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean.*

## MATTINGLY-MILLER

Palestine Mae Mattingly, born 30 March 1887 in Grayson County, Kentucky, died 06 June 1966 in Tampa, Florida at Tampa General Hospital, and is buried in Garden of Memories in Tampa, Florida. Palestine was the daughter of Eli Merion Mattingly and Margaret Virginia Mercer. Palestine married first Jolly Cashmere Miller 08 October 1903 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky, son of Jasper Miller and Elizabeth Fulks. Palestine married second Carl Johnson.



*Jolly Cashmere Miller.*

Children of Palestine Mattingly and Jolly Miller are: Gertrude "Gert" Virginia Miller (born 25 March 1908 in Louisville, Kentucky; died 22 November 1983 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois) who married Charlie "Charley" Layton Commean 27 July 1928 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois; Raymond Aubrey Miller (born 08 April 1911 in Louisville, Kentucky; died May 1981 in O'Fallon, Illinois) who married Nina H. Rigdon; and Hilda Juanita Miller (born 27 April 1913 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky) who married Herman Wilbert Keller 04 May 1941 in Madison, Indiana. Wilbert died 13 August 1944. Juanita married James H. Gault 25 March 1958 in Tampa, Florida.

Jolly had two brothers who were preachers and one was a doctor in Louisville, Kentucky. Jolly worked in a mirror factory in Louisville, Kentucky. Jolly died from a disease which caused him to bleed externally and possibly internally. It is believed by Juanita that Palestine was born in Litchfield, Kentucky. Palestine was able to make money sewing uniforms for the military during World War II. Palestine was a very good seamstress and loved flowers. Palestine and her mother, Margaret Virginia (Mercer) (Mattingly) Miller and sister, Gertrude (Mattingly) Wootton, moved to Du Quoin, Illinois in the early 1920s. Palestine and her mother lived on North Division Street in Du

Quoin. After Palestine's daughter, Juanita, married James Gault and moved to Tampa, Florida from Du Quoin, Palestine moved to Florida to live with them on 2116 South Hesperides.



*Palestine Mae Mattingly Miller Johnson.*

Jasper Miller, born 28 January 1845 in Hart County, Kentucky, died 06 November 1924, and was buried in Walnut Hill Cemetery (Leitchfield) Grayson County, Kentucky. Jasper was the son of Charles Andrew Miller and Elizabeth Hawkins. Jasper married Elizabeth "Bettie" Jenkins Fulks 01 July 1866 in Hart County, Kentucky. Elizabeth Jenkins Fulks, born 15 January 1847 in Hart County, Kentucky, died 14 November 1896 in Jeffersonville, Indiana.

Children of Jasper Miller and Elizabeth Fulks are: William Thomas Miller (born 06 November 1867 Bonnierville, Kentucky; died 05 August 1962 in Louisville, Kentucky; a retired Methodist Pastor); Mary Elizabeth Miller (born 05 April 1871); Charles "Charlie" Martin Miller (born 19 January 1873; died 06 August 1909; buried in Millerstown Baptist Cemetery, Grayson County, Kentucky); Bird Whitfield Miller (born 26 February 1875); Ira David Miller (born 22 January 1878); Jolly Cashmere Miller; Perry Franklin Miller (born 26 August 1884 in Kentucky; died 17 May 1972 in and buried in Louisville, Kentucky); James Stanley Miller (born 26 December 1886 in Kentucky; died 05 December 1967 in Livonia, Michigan); and Shoudy "Sam" Anderson Miller (born 13 July 1889 in Kentucky). *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commean.*

## MAXTON

Reverend William Mc Ara Maxton was born 21 December 1868 at Knock Cottage on the estate of Lord Abercrombie, two miles from Crieff, and was the second son in a family of seven belonging to James and Catherine (McAra) Maxton.

After being educated in the famed Monzie School and in Glasgow, he came to America at the age of 21 with a party of friends from Glasgow.

Reverend Maxton continued his education by studying at the Chicago Moody Bible Institute. He was licensed as a minister by the Alton Presbytery September 1893 and ordained in October 1893. He then accepted the pastorate of churches in Blair and Steeleville, Illinois. He was minister successively of the Lyons, Kansas church; the Union Presbyterian Church near St. Louis; the Carterville, Illinois Presbyterian Church; Pastor-at-Large in the Cairo Presbytery; the Sixth Presbyterian church of Indianapolis; and lastly Du Quoin Presbyterian Church from January 1908 until his death 29 October 1945.

He was a friend to all people and worked tirelessly for community betterment. He served on the Advisory board of the Receiving Home;

Marshall Browning Hospital Board of Directors; and the state Tuberculosis Committee. He was chairman of home service for the Red Cross for over 25 years. He was active in the state and national church work before coming to Du Quoin and continued to serve in many capacities, attending the General Assembly in Des Moines, serving as a member of the Ewing Presbytery Christian Education Committee; was Clerk of the Presbytery for over 30 years, moderator at the Synod-at-Large meeting in Galesburg.

Reverend Maxton was first married in 1895 to Margaret E. Wilson of Randolph County, daughter of John and Margaret (McDonald) Wilson. She died from complications following the birth of a daughter, Margaret E. on 29 January 1896. This daughter Margaret married Jesse J. Bridenstine in 1917.

His second marriage was to Helen Burns Watson of Carterville on 12 August 1903. They had six children: Katherine who married Harold Barnett; James married Dorothy Sheehan; Clyde married Arline Davison; John married Fern Eaton; William married Marguerite Rocassi; and David married Ila Reutter.

## MAXWELL

Solomon (1780-1852), born in North Carolina, was the eldest of seven heirs of Thomas Maxwell (circa 1756-circa 1831) late of Tennessee. Solomon's first wife died during the early 1820's, leaving eight children. By 1823, he married Mrs. Elizabeth White (1789-1856), a widow with three sons. To this union were born two daughters. By 1832, Solomon and Elizabeth migrated to Randolph County, Illinois with several of the children. About 1835, they moved onto a small farm in Perry County. Solomon and Elizabeth were buried at the Boyle Farm (Spring Hill) Cemetery near Winkle.

Ruth Maxwell Arens (circa 1801-?). John (1805-1875) married four times and had at least eight children plus several stepchildren. He died in Arkansas. Isaac (1808-1852) married twice and had at least nine children. He also died in Arkansas. Nathaniel married and had one child. He died about 1833.

Nancy (1810-?) perhaps married first John Armour (circa 1834) in Randolph County. John was survived (circa 1837) by a young son. By 1842, Nancy married John M. Allen, a widower with sons William and Robert. She then gave birth to Margaret, Elizabeth, Jemima, and Anna. The family lived in Perry County during 1850-1870 Census.

Elizabeth (1812-1892) married (1832) Kentucky native John Lewis McNulty (1813-185?) in Randolph County. This union produced nine children: Margaret (William) McMillen; Alfred; Isabella, who married Alex Beggs and Alex Elliott; Mary Ann (John) Kelley; James M.; Diantha Emaline (William Perry) Justice; Jemima; Bethia Amanda (Joseph) Maxwell; and Solomon. Elizabeth and John McNulty were buried in Randolph County.

Malcom Gilcrease, Sr., born between 1814 and 1819, Bedford County, Tennessee, married first (1837) Anna Davis, in Lauderdale County, Tennessee. Born in the same era as Malcom, she was the third of five children of Benjamin Davis (?-1825) and Mary Ann (Byler) Davis-White (1796-1868). By 1838, Malcom and Anna sold their farm to her grandfather, Jacob F. Byler, then



settled near Solomon Maxwell in Illinois. Malcom and Anna moved (1840) into Missouri near her brother, returning to Illinois by 1850. There were eight children: Nathan (1838-1897) married (1861) Martha Ozborn (1841-1922), and settled with their eight children in Kansas (1880); John (1841-1863) was a Civil War casualty; Nancy (1843-1901) and William North (1835-1910) from Randolph County, married (1863) in Perry County. They moved to Kansas during the 1880's and had five children; Maria (1845-?) was not with her family at 1860 but may have returned later; Jemima (1847-1922) married (1869) at Grande Cote, Perry County, William's brother, Robert North (1846-1909) of Randolph County. They moved to Saint Louis County, Missouri (1891) with four survivors of their six children: Anna (1849-?) resided in Perry County at 1900, single; Isaac (1851-?) married (1881) Kate E. Ward of Jackson County. She was a stepdaughter of Thomas North (1829-1900), elder brother of William and Robert. Kate had at least two children, and was still in Illinois at 1912; Malcom G. Jr. (1853-1941), married (1877) Clara Ernest (1855-1930), and remained in Perry County. They were buried at Bethel Swanwick, as were two children, Albert L. Maxwell and Sarah (William) Boner.

Anna (Davis) Maxwell probably died at the birth of Malcom Jr., Malcom Sr. married second (1856) Mary Ann North in Perry County. Born in Randolph County (circa 1833) and known as "Polly", she was a sister of Thomas, William, and Robert North. She had two, perhaps three children: Maria J. or Mona (1857-1935), married (1878) Joseph B. Justice (1847-1916) and had one child; Polly's son was recorded in the 1860 census as Solomon, one month old. However, 30 June 1861 was entered (1947) on his Death Certificate as his birthdate. At the 1870 census he was reportedly nine years of age which coincides with a 1861 birth, but was it 1860? He married (1886) Fannie Luna (1868-1941). They were buried in Randolph County. They had five children.

Malcom G. Maxwell Sr. married third (1872) widow Mrs. James D. (Ellen K. McNeill) McCrary (1830-1878) in Pinckneyville. Six of her seven children were living then. Ellie and Malcom had one daughter (1873): Ora Lugretha (Charley) Jones. Ellie was buried at the Bethel Cemetery, Swanwick. Malcom's name appears on the 1890 Perry County Tax List, as does that of Malcom Jr.

Jemima (1818-1852), youngest child of Solomon by his first wife was born in Tennessee. She married Andrew M. East (1815-1852) in Randolph County, Illinois (1836). They had eight children.

Charity Ann was born (1824) in Tennessee to Solomon and Elizabeth. She married (1842) in Randolph County James R. Guy of Kentucky. They settled in Washington County, with children: Nicholas; John; Cyrena; Mary (Thomas) Carrick; Nancy (George) Logan; Julia; Jemima (Thomas) Howell; Sarah (Thomas) Guthrie; Sophie; and James D. James R. Guy (1816-1867) was buried near Solomon and Elizabeth Maxwell at Winkle, Perry County, survived by Charity.

Mary (1827-1870) was born in Bedford County, Tennessee, and married (1848) Jesse Hall in Perry County, Illinois. They moved to Washington County, where she died in childbirth. Several members of the Hall family were buried in the Old Concord Baptist Cemetery, at the Perry and Washington County borderline. She had eight children.

In addition to Solomon Maxwell, four of his six siblings moved to Southern Illinois: Daniel (Mary Bell) Maxwell; Thomas (Lydia) Maxwell; Elizabeth (Meshack) Haile; and Jemima (Jonathon) King. The Kings settled in Perry County, the others choosing Washington County. Relatives who remained in Tennessee included John (Sarah Cooper) Maxwell, and Keziah Maxwell, wife of Evan Rushing, Robert Taylor, and Abner Steed. Most members of Solomon's generation and their sons were farmers, but some from younger generations worked in the coal mines. Submitted by John North.

## MAYER-PAASCH-SEIFERT

Ernestine Anna Mayer was born 27 December 1907 in Lost Prairie, Illinois. The oldest of four daughters born to Martin Gotlib Mayer 13 October 1880-16 September 1973 and Caroline (Paasch) Mayer 22 February 1886-16 January 1919. Both Martin and Caroline were born in Lost Prairie. Martin was the oldest of thirteen children born to Michael Mayer and Anna (Zinke) Mayer. (See Mayer history in Volume I, pages 227 & 228.)

Caroline was the daughter of Louis Paasch born near New Athens, Illinois 25 March 1862-11 August 1927 and Lisetta (Seifert) Paasch born in Junkerdorf bei Marolsweisach, Landgericht Ebern, Germany on 16 February 1866-25 December 1940. Her parents were Erhardt Seifert, born in Duseldorf, Germany, and Caroline Seifert, born in Duseldorf, Germany. They both died in Duseldorf. Lisetta came to America at the age of sixteen with a half-brother, John Mathis. She had twin brothers, Henry and Adam, born 04 November 1861.

Louis was the son of John C. Paasch 05 December 1823-21 May 1866 and Antonia 13 June 1823-29 May 1866. He was three years old at the time of his parents' death and was adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Peter Denninger. Sons Peter and Frank left after their parents' death and there is nothing known of them.

Ernestine's sisters are Lisetta Hepp, Emily Schwarz and Onita Hoffman. On 05 October 1924 she married Henry F. Rabe at Post Oak, Campbell Hill, Illinois. They had four children: Ernestine Miesner, Henry William, Lawrence and Irene Davis. There are eight grandchildren and fourteen great grandchildren. Ernestine died on 03 February 1998.

## MAYER-ROETHE

The following is an update on the Vernon Mayer family. In the past ten years, many things have changed and some have remained the same so to catch everyone up on our family, here is a summary.

All the boys have graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School. John and Brian have also graduated from Rend Lake College with associate degrees in Production Ag and Ag Mechanics respectively. Kevin was graduated from Southeast Missouri University with a bachelors degree in business and finance. John and Brian are now active partners in Mayer Farm, with each of them taking on increasing responsibilities for the operation as each year goes by. Kevin is currently employed by William Mercer, Inc. in Deerfield, Illinois as an investment analyst. Kevin lives in Chicago. In addition to farming, John is currently chairman of Perry County Farm Bureau's Young Leaders; enjoys most sports, especially

basketball, car racing and hockey. In Brian's "free" time, he is building up a wood working business. He enjoys building anything with wood, or repairing motors. With the driving involved with his job, Kevin doesn't have a lot of free time, but he enjoys reading and sports, as well as "surfing the internet".



Brian, John, Helen, Vernon, and Kevin Mayer 25 December 1997.

Vernon is still active in Farm Bureau, Extension council, Perry County No-till Association and watching Panther sports. Helen is still an Ag in the Class coordinator for the Illinois Farm Bureau, serving on the board of Five Star, the Perry County Soil and Water district board, and many other volunteer activities, now that the boys are taking on more of the farm work and she has more "free" time.

The whole family is still quite active in Trinity Lutheran Church of Conant and were involved in the planning and celebrating of Trinity's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary in 1997-1998. Our farm home is still just off Illinois Route 154 about eight and one half miles west of Pinckneyville.

## MEADOWS-RODELY

Denise Lynn Rodely, born 12 May 1974, to George F. Rodely and Linda L. Lutz Rodely, graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1992. Denise attended college in Midland, Michigan for one year before moving to Texas. While in Texas she married Andy Lee Meadows, son of Charles A. Meadows and Deborah Drysdale Meadows of Mulkeytown, Illinois on 17 September 1993. The ceremony took place at the Coryell County Annex in Copperas Cove, Texas.



Andy and Denise Rodely Meadows.

While in Texas Denise received her Associate Degree in Marketing management while Andy fulfilled his Army duties. After returning to Southern Illinois, Denise is working on her Bachelors Degree in Business Education while working part-time at Sears in Marion. Andy is currently the crew chief at Sears Auto Center. The couple resides in Mulkeytown, Illinois.



## MEDER

Francisca Cecilia (Meder) Schindele was born in Conant, a small town about ten miles from Pinckneyville. Her parents were Erhardt and Antonia (Bischof) Meder, immigrants from Bavaria province, Germany. Erhardt was part French. He was a butcher and a farmer. Christian Bischof, Antonia's father, was a farmer who was born in Bavaria. Her mother was Eva Marie (Klisk) Bischof. Antonia, born 12 June 1827, had three brothers, John George, Peter, and Joseph. They all immigrated to the United States, Antonia in 1852. They lived in Illinois. Erhardt Meder was born 08 January 1834 and immigrated to the United States in 1854. He reportedly stowed away on a ship. Erhardt listed \$200 personal property in the 1860 census. By 1870, this rose to \$350 and also \$800 real estate. Erhardt spoke of having seen Abraham Lincoln as a young man in Illinois. Erhardt and Antonia had three sons and two daughters, John, Joseph, Ludwig, Mary and Francisca. They all married and lived in or near St. Louis except Francisca. Antonia died in 1900 and Erhardt in 1910.



*The Meder Family—(back) William, Joseph, Ludwig, Mary, (front) Erhardt, Francisca, Antonia.*

John William Meder was born in 1859. He married Elizabeth Stump in Pinckneyville on 03 February 1880. They had five children, Rudolph, Edward, Erhardt, Mary Martha, Bertha, and Ida Elizabeth.

Joseph Meder was born on 18 January 1863. He married Margaret Gross on 14 April 1863. They had five children; Erhardt, Anna, Frank, Elizabeth and Nick.

Ludwig George Meder was born on 13 March 1871. He married Fredrica Haas on 17 May 1894. They had eight children: Herman Christian, Emilia Magdalena, Anna Antonia, Edward, Henry Bernard, John, and Joseph.

Mary Meder was born on 13 November 1860. She married Andrew Hennemann in 1883. They had three children: Christopher, Ludwig, and Francis.

Francisca Cecilia Meder was born 17 November 1868. She married Gustav Schindele on 08 January 1896. They moved to Tolna, North Dakota where they homesteaded and raised four children: Peter, Andrew, Antonia, and Rosena. Francisca and Gus are buried in the Tolna cemetery.

The four other Meder children all lived between St. Louis and Pinckneyville, where they raised their families and died. *Submitted by Don Schultz.*

## MENDEL

Joseph F. Mendel came to the United States from Rakowo, Posen, Poland in 1872. His brother,

John Mendel arrived in 1874. They each bought farmland in Tamaroa, Perry County, and sent for the rest of their family. In May 1880, their parents Michael and Marianne Mendel, and siblings Anna, Anton and Nellie came, and by June of 1880 the parents were living with Joseph's sister and brother-in-law, Frank and Frances (Mendel) Golomboski, who also farmed in Tamaroa. Michael Mendel died in 1893. Mary, his wife, lived with her son John's family to age 98, but died in 1919, and is buried in DuBois Catholic Cemetery.



*The Mendel Family—Edward, Paul, Joseph, Tadeus, Leonard, Max, Anna, Genevieve, Anastasia 'Nettie', Pauline, Lorene, (front) Joseph and Catherine.*

In 1900, Frank and Frances (Mendel) Golomboski were the parents eight children, Joseph, Henry, Lottie, Walter, Blanche, Ike, Polly and Helen, raising them on the Tamaroa farm.

John Mendel married Veronica Marszalek in February of 1887, and they raised ten children in Tamaroa, Helen, Victoria, William, Frank, Louis, Martha, Elizabeth, Clara, Isadore, and Josephine. John and his wife lived in Road District 41, Tamaroa, and died there, both being buried in DuBois Cemetery.

Anna Mendel married Vincent Czaja (Chyer, Chier), son of George and Lizzie Chier of Perry County and had five children, George, Leo, Joseph, Frances and Mary. Vincent was a coal miner, and died in the Cherry Mine explosion. Anna and her husband are buried in Du Quoin Cemetery.

Nellie Mendel married a railroad employee, Simon Wrzesinski, and moved to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where she died in 1943. They had no children.

Anthony Mendel went to East St. Louis looking for work one year, and was never heard from after that.

Joseph farmed but also worked for the Illinois Central Railroad. While in Chicago, Illinois he met and married Catherine Wachowiak on 12 October 1888 and they returned to Tamaroa. In July of 1889 their first child, Anna Mendel, was born. Twelve more children were born to Joseph and Catherine: Genevieve, Ted, Nettie, Pauline, Leonard, Joseph, Edward, Max, Lorraine, Paul, Florence and Stanley.

Daughter Florence died shortly after her birth and is buried in DuBois. The children all helped in farming, and attended local schools when possible. As the children grew, some stayed in the area but most left to seek employment. Anna Mendel married Alex Bendrick and they lived and raised their four children in DuBois, where descendants still live. Leonard Mendel stayed in Tamaroa and helped his parents farm, leaving only on the death of his mother in 1945. Nettie Mendel married John Matlavish, son of Thomas and

Josephine Matlavish of Tamaroa, an undertaker in Christopher where they raised their family. Of the other children of Joseph and Catherine, son Max stayed in southern Illinois with his wife, Mary Schubert, and his descendants still live in the Belleville/Collinsville area. Joseph D. Mendel married Clara Schubert of Tamaroa and moved to the Chicago area where Genevieve, Thaddeus, Pauline and Edward resided. The remaining three children, Lorraine, Paul and Stanley moved to California. Only one son, Paul, and one daughter-in-law survive. Sons Ted and Leonard both served honorably in World War I, son Paul in World War II. Joseph and Catherine were members of Immaculate Conception Parish in Tamaroa and are interred in that cemetery. *Submitted by granddaughters Loretta Reidelberger and Leonora Bannes.*

## MENTEL, FLORENCE (MRS. SIMON MARTIN)

Seldom do I go anyplace in Perry County that someone does not tell me, "Your mother, your aunt, or your sister was my teacher at 'some rural' school." That statement is always followed with "She was one of my favorite teachers." "She helped mold me into the person I am today." or "She really cared about all her students." I'm very proud of the fact that so many people in Perry County have so many good memories of my mother, Florence (Mentel) Martin (02 September 1904-15 July 1960); my aunt, Irene Mentel (31 October 1901-20 November 1997); and my sister, Patricia "Pat" Martin Gladson (born 13 July 1931). As people tell me about their memories it is obvious that they were well respected and loved by their students. I know they loved their students.



*Florence Mentel Martin.*

My mother, Florence, taught at several schools in Perry County before she married my father, Simon Martin (27 July 1904-28 August 1945) 04 June 1929.

In the 1920s teachers boarded in homes of the communities where they taught. Alma (?) Hearn brought me a picture of my mother when she boarded at their home when she taught at the Upper Holts School.

My mother kept a scrapbook. In it are pictures of the students at Kellerman School, 1924-1925, Vanbrunt School, 1925-1926, and lots of pictures of students who went to Beaucoup School where she taught the last fifteen years of her life.

Many people tell me about my mother as their teacher. The following comments from one of her former students say what many people have said.

Barbara Brown Penrod, now living in Rochester, Illinois, had Mom as her teacher for the third, fourth, and fifth grades at Beaucoup School from 1946-1949. She said, "I have so many good memories



of those years. Mrs. Martin was probably my most favorite teacher of any I ever had, both in grade and high school. She was not a teacher to let anyone get by with any nonsense, but she was fair and I felt a really good teacher. I was an avid reader and she would always see that I got to read all the new books we got each year. She would always ask Charlie Neville, who taught sixth through eighth grades to let me also read the books in his room. I've thought of her often during my adult years. I am certain she helped mold and shape me in many ways."



When my sister Pat, brother Joe, and I left home, Mom's students became her extended family. Often, as I talked to her on the phone, she had stories to tell about her students. She would invite all the girls to her home for the weekend. Can any teacher imagine doing that today?

Mother's three sisters: Clare (1896-1918) was hired to teach at their home school, Nation School, before her sudden death; Rose taught before she married John Phillips; and Irene taught for forty-three years.

Mother's daughters, Pat and Shirley, also taught in Perry County. Her granddaughter, Sandra Bigham Bray, is the principal at St. Bruno Catholic School in Pinckneyville. So, for over eighty years, Florence and members of her family have helped to educate the youth of Perry County. *Submitted by Shirley Martin Bigham.*

## MENTEL, IRENE

Irene H. Mentel (31 October 1901-20 November 1997), daughter of Adam Mentel (25 December 1866-04 October 1943) and Sarah Jane Todd (03 March 1870-26 March 1939) attended Nation School and St. Bruno Catholic School in Pinckneyville. She graduated with the Pinckneyville Community High School class of 1920. From high school she went, with her sister, Florence Mentel Martin (02 September 1904-15 July 1960), to the Athenaeum Business College in Fort Wayne, Indiana and they both attended the Southern Illinois Normal University in Carbondale, Illinois (1924-25).

Irene taught for 43 years in Perry County rural schools. During the late 1940s and 50s she taught schools south of Pinckneyville. Many of those years were at the Ozburn School located at the triangle at Pyatt's Wye.

During the consolidation of the one-room schools, she taught at the Brick School, south of Pinckneyville, and Kellerman School, north of Pinckneyville. In 1961, when the new District #212 School was completed, she taught the first and second grades, sometimes, also, third. As she had always had all eight grades in one room, before she started in the "new" consolidated school system, she could not imagine what it would be

like to only have two or three grades in one room. She was so pleased to have this wonderful opportunity and as many of her former students have told the author she continued being the same caring, loving teacher that she had always been.

The following are memories of some of her former students.



Irene Mentel.

Helen Yung Lunnemann: "Irene Mentel taught two years at Brush Prairie School (1932-34). She was the teacher for two girls, Pierna Appinel Segafredo, now of Henderson, Nevada, and Helen Yung Lunnemann, and four boys who are all deceased. They were: Dorris Thompson, Clyde Yung, Harry Bernaix, and Howard Kelly. We all graduated under her in 1932.

Brush Prairie School was a one-room schoolhouse for the primary grades through eighth grade. There were usually about 20 students. Those were the "good old" days. We walked, morning and evening, to and from school. For us (Yungs), it was a mile and a half, one way. Irene was a very good, fair, caring teacher. She stayed at my Aunt Meta Yung's house, just a few steps from the school."

Mary Fones Blythe said, "I remember Miss Irene as being a very loving teacher. I had her in fifth grade at Ozburn School at Pyatt's Wye, south of town on Route 13-127. I was having trouble with arithmetic and she helped me over the 'hump'. I've always told people, over the years, she was my favorite teacher. Miss Irene also taught some of my brothers. We all appreciated her."

Bob Anderson, who lived on Galum Road where Bernard Buschschulte now lives, said, "I went to both Brick Schools that were located just about a quarter mile apart. Your Aunt Irene was my teacher in the seventh grade at the "new Brick School."

Jim Engelhardt spoke very highly of Miss Irene as well as many others who, over the years, have helped me to realize that daughters of Adam and Sarah Todd Mentel (Clara, Rose, Irene and Florence) educated many young people of Perry County.

Irene had three sisters, all teachers. Her older sisters were Clare Mentel (1896-1918), Rose Mentel Phillips (1899- ) and younger sister, Florence Mentel Martin. She had one brother, youngest child, James (1907-1963). Their father, Adam Mentel (25 December 1866-04 October 1943), was very active in all programs that were introduced to help improve the lives of the people throughout the county. (See page 235 in History of Perry County, Volume I.)

Irene never married. She remained at the family farm, taking care of, first her mother, and then her father. She stopped teaching when her father's health was failing and stayed home to care for him until he died 4 October 1943.

The tradition continues. Simon and Florence Mentel Martin's daughters, Patricia "Pat" Martin Gladson and Shirley Martin Bigham are also teachers. Shirley's daughter, Sandra Bigham Bray, is Principal of St. Bruno Catholic School in Pinckneyville.

## METZINGER-STRAUGHAN-OGILVIE

Henry John Metzinger (1881-1954) born in St. John's, Perry County, Illinois, married Pearl Straughan (1885-1920). He worked as a coal miner and laborer. Their children: Verna (1908-1926), died following operation for appendicitis; Ruby Louise (1910-1990); Edward Henry (1915-1984); child died in infancy. Grandchildren were: Virginia Moye (1932), Kay Metzinger (1942), Karen Collins (1949). Great grandchildren: Lee Ellen Holland (1955), Michael Eaton (1964), Travis House (1976), Trent House (1984).

The parents of Henry Metzinger were Joseph Metzinger (1847-1920) born in Mittlebexach, Germany and Elizabeth Ogilvie (1858-1937). He immigrated to America in 1850s with his parents, Heinrich Metzinger (1803-1873) and Maria Elisabeth Wallich (1802-1854), and brothers: Jakob (1833), Georg (1835), Johannes (1837), Nicholas (1841), and Peter (1844). A sister, Maria Elisabetha (1831), had married Jakob Neider and remained in Germany. On arriving in America they settled in Mananoy City, Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania. They were all naturalized in this county 19 September 1860. Nicholas married Anna Maria Scherer and had five children. He was killed in a coal mine accident 1888. Johannes "John" married Barbara Post and had eleven children. They moved to Ambia, Benton County, Indiana in 1885. Many descendants live there today. Joseph came to St. Johns, Illinois to work in the coal mines. Later, in the 1900 census, he and his family were residing in Du Quoin, Illinois. This Metzinger family has been traced to 1610 in Germany.

Pearl Straughan, wife of Henry Metzinger, was the daughter of William "Ned" Straughan (1857-1934) born in New Castle, England and Mary Esther Mason (1860-1940). When the R. A. Wheatley School was built Ned Straughan was a member of the Du Quoin School Board. They raised six children: John "Jack", Mosses, Joseph, Mary E., and Isabelle. Isabelle married Clyde H. Dean and had three children: William E., Clyde Eugene, and Mary Louise.

Elizabeth "Lizzie" Ogilvie, mother of Henry Metzinger, was a daughter of John R. Ogilvie (1820-1891) and Jeanette Shanks. The Ogilvies immigrated from Scotland in the 1850s and settled in St. Johns, Illinois. There were eight children: James, George, Mary, John, Jeanette, Jane, Elizabeth, and Euphramia, who married Peter Foster. John Ogilvie was age 44 when he volunteered in the Civil War. He saw action at Guntown and Vicksburg, Mississippi. He suffered wounds that plagued him the rest of his life. (See Holland-Moye history in Volume I.) *Submitted by Virginia Holland.*

## MEYER

Mervin Eugene "Gene" Meyer, born 30 October 1944, in Pinckneyville, son of Gertrude Linze Meyer, born 10 March 1906, in Pinckneyville, and George Kenneth Meyer (15



August 1906-17 September 1967), married Glenda Jean Solomon, born 31 October 1944, in Key West, Florida, on 07 December 1968. They have two daughters, Erin Linnea Meyer (Smiley) and Monica Paige Meyer (Podolsky). Erin married Stanley Wilfred Smiley, 02 August 1994; they live in Washington, D.C. Monica married Robert Harold Podolsky, 31 July 1993; they live in Flint, Michigan.



*Gene, Glenda, Erin, and Monica Meyer.*

Gene graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1962 and from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in 1967. He joined the Navy in 1967 and met Glenda while on active duty stationed in Key West. They moved to California in 1969 where Gene continued his education and received a Ph. D. from the University of California, Riverside. Gene and Glenda live in Chico where Gene is a professor of mathematics at California State University, Chico, and Glenda works for the State of California Franchise Tax Board.

Gene's father, George Kenneth, is the son of John Eugene Meyer and Emma Susan McCoy Meyer Rennison (01 January 1886-04 February 1942), daughter of Hardin McCoy and Isabelle Chappell.

Gene's mother, Gertrude, is the daughter of John Linze, born in Freeburg, Illinois (03 December 1866-03 April 1938) and Mathilda Morgenstern, born in Waterloo, Illinois (09 December 1870-02 January 1941). Gertrude, the last surviving child of John and Mathilda, lives in Pinckneyville.

## MILLER-BEAL

John Miller, born about 1879, the fourth child of John and Maria E. Schwartz Miller, first married Eva and had two daughters: Evangeline and Josephine Emmerline Elizabeth. Josephine E. E. died in infancy.

John married second Grace Beal, born about 1896, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Beal of Fayette County, Illinois. John and Grace had three children: Myra, Doris and Robert. Grace died 25 August 1934 and John died 08 July 1951, both in East St. Louis and are buried in Mt. Hope Cemetery, Belleville, Illinois (see Miller-Schwartz history).

Myra, born 27 January 1919 at East St. Louis, was married 07 September 1940 at East St. Louis to Allen Hoetker, born 07 September 1907 at St. Louis, Missouri, son of John and Emily Scheible Hoetker. They had one child, Janet. Myra died May 1969 and is buried in Memorial Park, St. Louis County, Missouri.

Janet, born 23 October 1942 at St. Louis, was married 18 June 1966 at St. Charles, Missouri to William Curtis Strube, born 09 September 1940 at St. Louis, Missouri, son of William H. and Irene

Bergman Strube. They had two children: Kim, born 13 November 1969 and Randell born, 11 January 1972, both at Springfield, Missouri.

Doris first married a Green and married second Roy Bredberg and had three children: Kathy and two others. Doris was living in Melbourne, Florida in 1981.

Robert, born about 1928, was married to Kathryn "Pat" Quinn Hayes, born about 1923. Pat was first married to John Cecil Hayes who died 06 October 1960. John and Pat had one daughter, Carol, who married Richard O'Brien. Richard and Carol had two children: Michael Sean and Matthew Patrick. Robert and Pat had no children. Robert died 25 May 1981 and Pat died 11 January 1986 at Eden Village Care Center in Glen Carbon, Illinois. They are both buried in Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Belleville, Illinois. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## MILLER-BRUNS

George Miller, born 25 June 1868 at Hecker, Illinois, the eldest son of John and Maria E. Schwartz Miller, was married 12 January 1897 at Pinckneyville, Illinois to Mary Ann Bruns, born 11 October 1875 at Borken, Germany, daughter of Joseph and Mary Adelaide Rademacher Bruns. They had seven children: Elizabeth Mary, John Aloysius, Lawrence Joseph, Adeline Frances, George Frank, Cecelia Catherine, and Mary Ann. George died 04 December 1949 and Mary Ann died 24 February 1958. Both are buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Pinckneyville (see Miller-Schwartz history).

Elizabeth M., born 07 March 1899 at Pinckneyville, was married 26 October 1921 to Louis Epplin, born 18 July 1894 at Pinckneyville, son of Joseph and Adeline Kentschi Epplin. They had nine children: Aloysius Joseph, Genevieve Mary, Cecelia Amelia, Richard John, Louis Frank, Georgirene, Rita, Elizabeth Jane, and James Thomas. Elizabeth died 23 October 1957 at Pinckneyville. Louis was married second to Angela Hulsman Kuehn and died 14 October 1971. Elizabeth and Louis are both buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery (see Epplin-Miller history).

John A., born 24 March 1901, was married 14 June 1944 at Ava, Illinois to Lena Bertha Schafer, born 21 December 1907, daughter of Nicholas and Theresia Rosenberger Schafer. They had three children: Mary Elizabeth, Wilma Louise, and Carol Jean. John A. died 04 December 1981 at Pinckneyville and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Pinckneyville (see Miller-Schafer history).

Lawrence Joseph, born 02 May 1903, never married and died 21 August 1963 at Pinckneyville. He is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Adeline F., born 21 June 1905, was married 26 November 1970 to William Mohr, son of Philip Mohr. Adeline died 20 February 1977 and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

George F., born 15 February 1908, was married 09 October 1940 to Agnes Theresa Wesseln, born 30 April 1913, daughter of Frank and Ida Elizabeth Feik Wesseln. They were the parents of three children: Joan Marie, Susan Jane, and Richard George. George died 01 January 1970 and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery (see Miller-Wesseln history).

Cecelia C., born 19 January 1912, was married 29 October 1947 to Edward Schafer, born 02 January 1911, son of Nicholas and Theresia

Rosenberger Schafer. They had no children.

Mary Ann, born 11 June 1914 at Pinckneyville, was married 27 October 1936 at Pinckneyville to Victor Wesseln, born 04 August 1909, son of Herman and Catherine Epplin Wesseln. They had no children. Victor died 18 April 1977 and Mary Ann died 06 September 1984 at Du Quoin. Both are buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## MILLER-EPPLIN

Joseph Miller, born 05 April 1883, the sixth child of John and Maria E. Schwartz Miller, was married 26 September 1911 to Mary M. Epplin, born 21 April 1891, daughter of Joseph and Adeline Kentschi Epplin. They had eight children: Antonilla Adeline, Joseph John, Loretta Elizabeth, infant daughter, Cyril James, Rosamond Mary, Henry J. and Carl Joseph. Joseph died 24 May 1963 and Mary died 06 June 1969. Both are buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Pinckneyville (see Miller-Schwartz history).

Antonilla, born 03 September 1914, was married 04 September 1931 to Felix W. Bolinski, born 26 December 1907, son of Walter and Rose Bolinski. They had seven children: Mary Frances, John Edward, Elizabeth Louise, Felix Joseph, James Alan, Doris Ann and Robert Jerald. Felix W. died 22 December 1967 (see Bolinski-Miller history).

Joseph John, born 27 December 1916, never married and died 21 April 1963.

Loretta Elizabeth, born 07 December 1919, never married and died January 1980 at La Grange, Illinois.

Infant daughter Miller was born and died 28 September 1923. She, along with Joseph John and Loretta E., are buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Cyril J. "Bud", born 03 August 1925, was married 25 June 1947 to Irene A. Rudloff, born 27 March 1926, daughter of Charles and Ida Rudloff. They had three children: Cyrilla Sue (born 31 October 1952), Rita Rene (born 31 October 1956), and Alicia Ann (born 16 September 1961) (see Perry County History Book, Volume I, pages 237 and 267).

Rosamond M., born 14 August 1927, was married May 1947 to Charles W. Leiner, born 17 July 1910, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Leiner. They had seven children: Jean Ann (15 October 1947-16 October 1947); Christopher William (born 01 April 1952) who married 29 January 1977 to Susan L. Beauchamp; Gary Arthur (born 16 February 1957); John Jeffrey (born 09 September 1958); Harold Anthony (born 31 March 1960); Mary Jo (12 May 1963-18 August 1964), and Thomas Scott (born 10 October 1967). Charles died 19 January 1974 and Rosamond died before 1995.

Henry J. was born and died 28 September 1930. He is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery.

Carl J., born 30 November 1933 in Perry County, was married 04 September 1954 to Sandra Jean Foster, born 24 March 1936, daughter of Fred and Dorothy Foster. They had three children: Steven C. (born 15 January 1955) who married Reta Weisel; Gene Thomas (born 26 August 1959) who married Nancy Denman; and Kurt William (born 28 January 1963). Carl J. died 28 March 1995 at Sparta, Illinois and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*



## MILLER-HOFFMANN

Frank Miller was born 10 January 1831 in Prussia. He arrived in America around 1859. He married Mary Hoffmann, daughter of Andrew and Walbuge (Schaeferinn or Schaefermann) Hoffmann of St. Clair County, Illinois on 29 May 1860, in St. Liborious Catholic Church in St. Libory, Illinois. Mary was born 20 February 1843, in St. Clair County, Illinois. She came from a large family. Besides Mary there were Sophia, Margaret Roth-Roffy, Catherine Franck, Gertrude Schwebel, Joseph, Anna, and Henry.

For reasons unknown, Frank and family moved to Perry County in 1874. They settled in the Denmark-Cutler area. Later they moved north of Pinckneyville.

Frank and Mary's marriage produced a large family. Those children: Bertha Lintner, Mary Armstutz, Catherine, Charles, John E., Caroline, Louise Kellerman, Lena Renfrow, and Victoria Krupp. Frank died 10 May 1910; Mary on 28 December 1896.

Charles Miller (author's grandfather) was born 15 February 1873, near New Athens, Illinois. He died 12 February 1956 in Perry County. His main occupation was farming. His first marriage was to Johanna Louis, daughter of John and Catherine (Brant) Louis. Johanna died in 1907 and left three children for Charles to raise. They were Ella Sophia Lunneman, Edward Joseph, and Marion Rose Lambert.

Charles' second wife was Mrs. Mary A. "Hattie" (Heine) Schwebel. She was the daughter of Frank and Queen (Miller) Heine. Mary was born 05 November 1879 in Randolph County, Illinois; she died 16 February 1965 in Perry County. Mary's first husband was Peter Schwebel, son of Leonard and Gertrude (Hoffmann) Schwebel. Peter died in 1906 and left Mary to raise three children. They were William John, Dora Irene Crain, and August "Gus" Albert.

Charles and Mary Schwebel were married 05 April 1910 in Perry County. This marriage produced two children. Clarence Henry (author's father) and Herman.

Clarence was born 23 December 1910 in Perry County. He died on 25 October 1985 in Perry County. His occupation was coal mining. He married Mabel Sweat 30 January 1937 in Perry County. Mabel was the daughter of Leroy Huggins and Luella (Marlow) Sweat of Perry County. Mabel was born 10 October 1917 and is presently living in Pinckneyville.

Clarence and Mabel had one surviving child. Thomas Ray was born 23 April 1942 in Perry County. He is presently a teacher in the Cahokia, Illinois School District. Thomas married Joanne Crain, the daughter of Clement and Ernestine (Rennison) Crain of Pinckneyville, on 18 June 1966. They were divorced in 1991 in St. Clair County, Illinois. Two children came from this marriage. David Scott was born 31 October 1968 in St. Clair County, Illinois. He married Vicky Koester of New Athens, Illinois, 02 July 1994. They presently live in Belleville, Illinois. Steven Scott was born on 16 December 1974. He is in college and plans to be a math teacher. *Submitted by Thomas Ray Miller.*

## MILLER-JONES

George Valentine Miller (born 15 March 1904; died 12 March 1983) was the oldest son of John Joseph (born 03 January 1873; died 28 July

1963) and Alice Maude (Conley) Miller (born 15 July 1884; died 17 July 1975). George had four brothers: David, Vallie, Nicholas, and Charles. Nicholas and Charles died in infancy.

George married Gladys "Louise" Jones (born 18 January 1912) on 29 June 1938 in St. Louis, Missouri. She is the daughter of Charles "Charlie" Radford (born 21 June 1869; died 01 November 1940) and Ora Lugretta (Maxwell) Jones (born 06 March 1873; died 21 January 1949). Louise is the youngest of seven children: Florence, Ruth, Howard, Charlie, Anna, and Beulah.

George attended Sacred Heart School in Du Quoin and was employed by Fidelity Mines for over forty years, at which time he retired. Louise attended Du Quoin public schools and worked as a telephone operator until the time of her marriage.

Together, George and Louise had one daughter, Sharon "Kay" (Miller) Heape (born 02 December 1942). Kay graduated from Du Quoin Township High School in 1960. She was employed by Marshall Browning Hospital as a billing clerk for three years. She married Robert "Bob" Loren Heape on 25 November 1961. Together, they have three children: Todd Robert, Susan Kay (Heape) Harsha, and Jill Ann (Heape) Marek. (See Heape-Miller, Heape-Davis, Harsha-Heape, and Marek-Heape histories.)

## MILLER-OPP

Joan Louise Miller (born 03 July 1932) is the daughter of William A. Bommersheim (born 16 April 1890; died 11 February 1948) and Irene Hubler Bommersheim (born 24 December 1903; died 18 May 1990). Maternal grandparents are Herman Hubler (born 03 September 1881; died 01 November 1962) and Catherine Zitt Hubler (born 27 August 1897; died 14 February 1957). Paternal grandparents are William Bommersheim (born 21 March 1886; died 28 June 1923) and August Pannier Bommersheim.

Gerald "Jerry" Anthony Miller is the son of Ida Mae Schneider Miller (born 22 December 1898) and Anthony J. Miller (born 26 March 1886; died 03 September 1966). Maternal grandparents are Joseph G. and Frances Berg Schneider (born 31 October 1875; died 01 January 1972). Paternal grandparents are Nicholas J. (born 15 August 1843) and Dorothea Metz Miller (born in Germany).

On 11 November 1954 Gerald and Joan were united in marriage at St. Bruno's Catholic Church in Pinckneyville. They have resided in Pinckneyville since their marriage.

They have three daughters: Paula Joan Wade (born 15 January 1959) married on 15 August 1984 to Charles Wade (born 14 August 1958) who reside in Carbondale; Jane Ellen Miller (Mann) (born 27 December 1960) married to Jeff Mann (born 30 September 1960) on 26 September 1991 and reside in Murphysboro; and Julie Irene Opp (born 25 October 1962) married to Gale N. Opp (born 18 October 1960) on 11 May 1982 at Friendship Church of Christ, Tamaroa. Gale and Julie Opp have one daughter, Jennifer Mae Opp, who was born 22 May 1996. The Opps reside on Valier Carpet Road, Tamaroa.

## MILLER, ROSE MARIE

Rose Marie Keene Miller, born 18 December 1967 in Detroit, Michigan, is the second child of Arthur Ross Keene and Rose Marie Yearion Keene of Du Quoin, Illinois. Paternal grandpar-

ents were Arthur Ross Keene, Sr. and Anna Mabel Stickles Keene of Du Quoin. Maternal grandparents were James Milford Yearion and Helen Harmount Yearion of Du Quoin.



*Rose and Ashley Miller.*

Rose is a 1981 graduate of the J.B. Ward Junior High School. She graduated from the Du Quoin High School in 1985 and went on to John A. Logan College where she received two Associate Degrees. One is in Mid-Market Management and the other in Fashion Merchandising. In July of 1990 she married Richard Len Miller of Du Quoin and the marriage has since been dissolved. They were blessed with one child, Ashley Michelle Miller, born 13 July 1991 at Scott Air Force Base in Belleville, Illinois. Rose returned to Southern Illinois University and on 09 May 1998 she received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Social Work which had been a goal of hers since her early school days. She plans to go on to receive her Masters Degree.

Rose moved to Perry County in 1975, with her parents, from Detroit, Michigan. She has lived here ever since, except for some time at various military bases during her marriage. She now lives in rural Du Quoin with her daughter, Ashley, who is a first grade student at Sacred Heart School.

## MILLER-SCHAFER

John A. Miller, born 24 March 1901, the second child of George and Mary Ann Bruns Miller, was married 14 June 1944 at Ava, Illinois to Lena Bertha Schafer, born 21 December 1907, daughter of Nicholas and Theresia Rosenberger Schafer. They had three children: Mary Elizabeth, Wilma Louise, and Carol Jean. John and Lena resided in Section 5 of Township 5 South-Range 3 West, northwest of Pinckneyville about one half mile off Route 13. John A. died 04 December 1981 at Pinckneyville and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Pinckneyville (see Miller-Bruns history).

Mary E., born 12 May 1945 at Murphysboro, was married 29 August 1964 at Pinckneyville to Albert P. Wayer, born 16 July 1943, son of John Wayer. They have two children: Kelly Marie (born 16 October 1969 at Centerville, Illinois) and Douglas Allen (born 24 October 1971 at Mt. Vernon, Illinois).

Wilma L., born 09 December 1946 at Murphysboro, Illinois, was first married 15 July 1967 at Pinckneyville to Stephen Skipton, born about 1947, son of Robert and Mary Hayes Skipton. They had one child, Carla Dawn, born 07 January 1968. Wilma was married second 29 June 1973 to Dean Woodrum, born 14 October 1945, son of Harlan and Helen Woodrum. They have one daughter, Heather Leigh, born 26 September 1976.



Carol J., born 29 January 1948 at Du Quoin, was married 12 August 1967 at Pinckneyville to Charles R. Muller, born 12 December, son of George Muller. They have two children: Nicole Lynn (born 01 June 1969 at Heidelberg, Germany) and Jason Charles (born 06 December 1975 at Springfield, Illinois). *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## MILLER-SCHMIDT

Louis J. Miller, born 02 July 1872, the third child of John and Marie E. Schwartz Miller, was married 19 August 1907 at St. Louis to Rose M. Schmidt, born 17 August 1879 at St. Louis, Missouri, daughter of Frank and Agnes Schaeffer Schmidt. They had five children: Clara, Louis, Frank, Albert, and Emma. Louis J. died 15 April 1926 at Pinckneyville and Rose died 12 May 1976. Both are buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery, Pinckneyville (see Miller-Schwartz history).

Clara, born 09 June 1908 at Pinckneyville, was married 12 October 1938 at Du Quoin to Carl Hottes, born 30 December 1912 in Perry County, son of George and Sophia Dierks Hottes. They are the parents of two children: Joan and Carl G.

Joan, born 30 September 1939 at Du Quoin, was married 17 June 1961 at Champaign, Illinois to John L. Diederich, born 16 February 1937 at Geneva, Illinois, son of John and Laverne Koehler Diederich. They have three children: Gretchen (born 14 September 1965 in California), Katherine (born 08 October 1967 in Seattle, Washington) and Ann (born 23 July 1971 at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania).

Carl G., born 24 November 1943 at Granite City, Illinois, was married 12 June 1971 at Pinckneyville to Joann Skinner, born 05 May 1952 at Denver, Colorado, daughter of Theodore and Maryann Palacio Skinner. They had one child, Aaron, born 29 December 1971 at Pinckneyville. Carl and Joann were divorced in 1974.

Louis, born 25 December 1909 at Pinckneyville, was married 21 September 1940 at Perryville, Illinois to Edith Engelhardt, born 27 October 1914 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, daughter of Conrad and Emma Bender Engelhardt. They had no children. Edith died 13 April 1975 and is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery.

Frank, born 24 February 1912 at Pinckneyville, was married 10 August 1938 at Du Quoin to Catherine Helmer, born 22 December 1917 at Du Quoin, daughter of John and Rose Bradley Helmer. They had two children: Barbara Ann and Thomas William. Frank died 04 December 1958 at St. Louis, Missouri and is buried in Sacred Heart Cemetery in Du Quoin.

Barbara, born 14 November 1947 at Du Quoin, was first married to John Keim Degler, born 02 October 1940, son of John and Ruth Greathouse Degler. They had one child, John III, born 12 April 1967 at Du Quoin. John and Barbara were divorced and Barbara married second Roger Schley.

Thomas William, born 04 November 1952 at Du Quoin, was ordained as a priest 28 May 1977 at St. Peter's Cathedral, Belleville, Illinois.

Albert, born 09 April 1916 at Pinckneyville, never married.

Emma, born 17 July 1921 at Pinckneyville, was married 29 January 1940 at Du Quoin to Russell Ford, born 04 August 1916 at Murphysboro, son of Mark and Hallie Russell Ford. They have two children: Russell and Stephen.

Russell, born 28 August 1941 at Du Quoin, was married at Du Quoin to Sue Abbott, born 23 September at Du Quoin, daughter of Lloyd and Earlene Geisdoerfer Abbott. They have two children: Ronna (born 23 November 1963) and Scott (born 17 July 1967), both at Belleville, Illinois.

Stephen, born 01 June 1945 at Du Quoin, was married 21 May 1973 at Pinckneyville to Sharon Carr. They have one child, Anthony, born 21 May 1975 at Du Quoin. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## MILLER-SCHWARTZ

Catharine Hammel (see Hammel history), born 21 September 1826 at Weltersbach, Germany, daughter of Jacob and Magdalena Laufer Hammel, was first married 02 February 1847 to Jacob Schwartz, born about 1822. Jacob and Katherine had three children: George, Maria Elizabetha, and Johann Franz. Jacob died about November 1850 and Katharine died 11 September 1908 at Hecker, Illinois after being married a second time on 11 November 1851 to Michael Mueller/Miller (23 June 1823-03 April 1903) and having eight more children. They all stayed in St. Clair County except for Maria.

Maria E. Schwartz, born 15 May 1849 at Millstadt, was married 14 November 1867 at Belleville, Illinois to John Miller, born 25 February 1845 in Bavaria, Germany, son of George and Katie Miller. John Miller came to America and settled in Belleville in 1853. Sometime between 1868 and 1870 they, with their eldest son George, moved to a farm near Pyatt's Station.

John and Maria's seven children were George, Katherine, Louis J., John and twin, Joseph, and Elizabeth. John died 02 July 1920 and Maria died 14 September 1920, both at Pinckneyville. They are buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery in Pinckneyville.

George, born 25 June 1868, was married 12 January 1897 to Mary Ann Bruns, born 11 October 1875. They had seven children: Elizabeth Mary, John Aloysius, Lawrence Joseph, Adeline Frances, George Frank, Cecelia Catherine, and Mary Ann. George died 04 December 1949 and Mary Ann died 24 February 1958 (see Miller-Bruns history).

Katherine, born 13 February 1870, was married 07 February 1893 to Frank Mangin, born 10 November 1867. Frank and Katherine had four children: Mary Elizabeth, Louis, Joe and John Frank. Katherine died 28 February 1908 and Frank died 11 February 1952 (see Mangin-Miller history).

Louis J., born 02 July 1872, was married 19 August 1907 to Rose M. Schmidt, born 17 August 1879. They had five children: Clara, Louis, Frank, Albert, and Emma. Louis J. died 15 April 1926 at Pinckneyville and Rose died 12 May 1976 (see Miller-Schmidt history).

John, born about 1879, first married Eva and second married Grace Beal, born about 1896. John and Grace had three children Myra, Doris and Robert. Grace died 25 August 1934 and John died 08 July 1951 (see Miller-Beal history).

Twin of John died in infancy.

Joseph, born 05 April 1883, was married 26 September 1911 to Mary M. Epplin, born 21 April 1891, daughter of Joseph and Adeline Kentschi Epplin. They had eight children: Antonilla, Adeline, Joseph John, Loretta Elizabeth, infant daughter, Cyril James, Rosamond Mary, Henry J.

and Carl Joseph. Joseph died 24 May 1963 and Mary died 06 June 1969 (see Miller-Epplin history).

Elizabeth, born 16 May 1886 at Pinckneyville, was married 15 October 1907 at Pinckneyville to Joe J. Epplin, born 10 February 1883, son of Victor and Mary Eisenhauer Epplin. They had seven children: Joseph Jr., Bertha, Theresa, William, Gertrude, Lawrence, and Martha. Elizabeth died 20 August 1958 at St. Louis, Missouri and Joe died 21 June 1961 at Pinckneyville (see Joe Epplin-Miller history). *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## MILLER-TERRY

Helen Gertrude Terry, born 15 August 1908 in Du Quoin, youngest child of Eber Monroe and Maggie Mae Franklin Terry, grew up in Du Quoin and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1927. Shortly after graduation, she and Marie Zoeckler went to Gary, Indiana to work. Vern Joseph Miller, born 05 April 1906 in Tamaroa, the oldest son of Charles F. and Ora Pearl Stull Miller, continued their courtship and followed her to Gary. They were married 24 December 1928 in the First Christian Church, Crown Point, Indiana. Gertrude died 11 May 1987 and Vern died 22 March 1988. They were buried in Calumet Park Cemetery, Merrillville, Indiana.



(seated) Vern J. Miller; (standing) Kenneth Ross Miller, Joyce Miller Wolff, Jackie Vern Miller, Gertrude Terry Miller, and Charles Terry Miller.

To this happy union were born four children: Jackie Vern, Joyce Marie, Kenneth Ross, and Charles Terry.

Jackie Vern Miller (04 July 1931 Gary, Indiana-11 January 1996 Winona Lake, Indiana) married Ruth Dodson (born 10 May 1934) on 20 June 1952. They had three daughters: Terri Miller Zielasko, born 23 April 1956; Jacki Miller Hueni, born 14 October 1958; and Crystal Miller, born 11 February 1962. All three girls were born in Gary, Indiana.

Second child and only daughter, Joyce Marie, born 05 October 1935, Gary, Indiana, married Edwyn Elbert Wolff, born 09 November 1932, in Glen Park Baptist Church in Gary on 22 May 1953. They are the parents of: Cheryl Joyce Wolff Cavener, born 05 June 1954; Sheila Joy Wolff Curtis, born 27 December 1956 in Gary; and Dr. Craig Edwin Wolff, born 27 September 1959 in Parkersburg, West Virginia. Joyce and Edwin live in Camarillo, California.

Kenneth Ross Miller, born 14 May 1939, Gary, Indiana, lives in Parrish, Florida with his family.

Charles Terry Miller, born 12 July 1940, Gary, Indiana married Sharon Lee Eyears, born 12 October 1940 in Gary, on 19 July 1958 in Gary,



Indiana. To this union were born Mark Terry Miller (born 18 February 1959 in Little Rock, Arkansas), Brent Charles Miller (born 13 February 1960 in Little Rock, Arkansas), Kevin Ross Miller (born 30 August 1966), and Scott Michael Miller (born 25 October 1967 in Gary, Indiana). The second wife of Charles Terry Miller, Martha Jane Monahan, was born 05 November 1938 in Gary, Indiana. They were married 31 August 1990 in Welin Gardens, Crown Point, Indiana.

Vern and Gertrude celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary at a reception at the First Christian Church in Merrillville, Indiana on Sunday, 17 December 1978. Among the guests, in addition to the Miller families, were Reverend Myer Mattson, who performed their marriage ceremony, and his wife.

Vern Miller had one sister, Florence Miller Leuschke, and one brother, Paul Miller, who died in infancy. *Compiled by Wilma Walker, niece of Gertrude Miller, with the assistance of the Miller children.*

## MILLER-WESSELN

George F. Miller, born 15 February 1908, the fifth child of George and Mary Ann Bruns Miller, was married 09 October 1940 to Agnes Theresa Wesseln, born 30 April 1913, daughter of Frank and Ida Elizabeth Feik Wesseln. They were the parents of three children: Joan Marie, Susan Jane, and Richard George. George died 01 January 1970 and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery (see Miller-Bruns history).

Joan Marie, born 18 November 1942, was married 02 September 1961 to Harold Rinebold, born 14 August 1926. They had three children: Theresa Louisa (born 01 November 1963), Lisa Ann (born 26 December 1964), and Daniel Wade (born 30 June 1966), all in California.

Susan J., born 02 July 1947, was married 26 January 1966 to David Lee Ross, born 15 November 1946. They have three children: Kevin Lee (born 05 November 1966 at Belvidere, Illinois), Deborah Sue (born 17 March 1968 at Pinckneyville), and Donna Marie (born 17 December 1977 at Pinckneyville).

Richard G., born 07 December 1948, was married 02 November 1974 at Hanna, Wyoming to Susan Powell, born 30 March 1948. They have one child, Beau Franklin, born 26 December 1976 at Rawlins, Wyoming. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## MILLIKIN - DEMPSEY

Robert Cecil (Whitey) Millikin was born on April 8, 1907 to Robert and Lula (McKinstry) Millikin of the Rice, Illinois area. Whitey was a coal miner, hunter, gardener, avid reader, Cardinal fan, music lover and math & history whiz. But, he is remembered by many as a storyteller who always had an eager audience for his tales. He knew all the spots for morel mushrooms, dewberries, hickory nuts, and medicinal roots and herbs. His tomatoes and flowers regularly took blue ribbons at the county fair.

Mildred Mae (Dempsey) was born on June 13, 1910 to Leonard Van and Pearl Leola (Keller) Dempsey of Rice, Illinois. Mae attended Carr School. Her sewing skills dressed her children as they grew and she preserved fruits and vegetables grown in the garden. She also worked as a seamstress out of her home. After Whitey's sudden death from cardiac-related problems on Novem-

ber 19, 1965, Mae went to work at the Pinckneyville Community Hospital and worked there until her retirement in 1979.

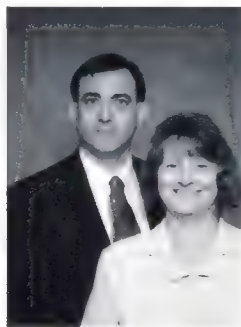
Robert and Mae were married on November 24, 1928. To this union were born seven children: Roberta Mae, August 6, 1929; Kenneth James, November 17, 1930; Shirley Anne, August 10, 1934; Paul Robert, August 5, 1936; Mary Ruth, October 4, 1938; Marilyn Sue, February 16, 1945; and Carol Jean, October 17, 1952.

Of the seven children, four are deceased. Shirley Anne died July 3, 1952 of Hodgkins Disease. Kenneth James died March 26, 1970, also of Hodgkins Disease. Paul Robert died June 4, 1996 following a sudden stroke. Roberta Mae died July 3, 1996 after a lengthy illness involving complications of diabetes, renal failure and stroke.

The three surviving children; Mary Ruth (Mrs. William G.) Stewart, Marilyn Millikin, and Carol Kopshever, reside in Pinckneyville.

## MINGS-DAVIS

William W. Mings, Jr. MD lives outside the city of Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. His paternal ancestors were early pioneers of Gallatin and Saline Counties, Illinois, migrating there in the 1830s from Kentucky. His great-grandfather James J. Mings was born 12 October 1825 in Kentucky. He enlisted in Captain James Hampton's Company H, First Regiment of Illinois Volunteers on 29 May 1847 at Jonesboro, Illinois, to serve in the Mexican War, and in 1849 received 160 acres of land in Saline County for his service. On 29 October 1849 he was married to Henrietta Fly by Achilles Coffee, Minister of the Gospel, at the bride's home in Saline County. James J. Mings died on 05 July 1878. His wife, Henrietta, died on 25 November 1908.



*Dr. William W. and Sharra L. Mings.*

Dr. Mings' grandfather, Alvis Mings, the son of James J. and Henrietta Mings, was born in Saline County on 01 June 1868 and was married to Dora Pulliam on 06 April 1911 at Evansville, Indiana. He owned and farmed 200 acres of land on Mings Road in Saline County where he lived his entire life. He died 02 May 1962. His wife, Dora, died 22 February 1966.

Dr. Mings' father, William W. Mings, Sr., the son of Alvis and Dora Mings, was born 11 December 1917 in Saline County. He was a World War II veteran. On 27 October 1943 in San Diego, California, he was married to Harriett Maltby who was born 01 June 1921 in Joliet, Illinois. After service he worked for a large industrial company and was transferred to Decatur, Illinois.

Dr. Mings, the son of William W., Sr. and Harriett Mings, was born 20 November 1951 in Joliet, Will County, Illinois. He is the youngest of two children. He has one sister, Karen Mings

Warnick, who lives in Decatur. In 1969 he graduated from Stephen Decatur High School. His father had a small house on Hamburg Road near Mings Road in Saline County where Dr. Mings spent most of his summer vacations and developed a deep fondness for Southern Illinois. Here he rode horses and enjoyed the scenic woods, fields, and streams in the area.

Dr. Mings graduated with a bachelor's degree from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. On 26 August 1972 in Dowell, Illinois, he was married to Sharra Londa Davis, born 05 January 1950 in Herrin, Illinois, a graduate of Southern and daughter of Leon and Billie Stuart Davis of Dowell, long-time residents of the area. In September 1972 he was accepted at St. Louis University School of Medicine, St. Louis, Missouri, where he graduated in 1976. He completed residencies in ophthalmology and psychiatry and has practiced in both specialties beginning in 1980. He joined the Carbondale Clinic in 1986 where he is currently practicing as a board certified psychiatrist.

Dr. Mings and his wife Sharra have three sons. All three attended Christian Fellowship School in Du Quoin. Joshua was born 22 July 1975 in Richmond Heights, Missouri. He received a bachelor's degree from LeTourneau University, Longview, Texas in 1997. He is now employed at Vertex Corp., Kilgore, Texas, as a mechanical engineer. Jacob was born 08 September 1977 in Richmond Heights, Missouri. He attends LeTourneau University, majoring in engineering. Eric was born 01 December 1981 in Carbondale and plans to graduate from Christian Fellowship High School, Du Quoin in May 2000.

## MOHR-CONDE

Kenneth Charles Mohr (born 04 February 1939 in Pinckneyville, Illinois) is the child of Walter Adam and Leona Elizabeth Mohr of Pinckneyville. He is a graduate of Pinckneyville Community High School and is currently retired from Spartan Printing Company. He farms on a family farm six miles south of Pinckneyville.



*Kenneth and Ivelize Mohr—1964.*

Ivelize Mary Moraes Conde Mohr and her twin sister, Mary Ivanir Moraes Conde Bechepeche (born 20 September 1941 in Brazil, South America) are the only children of Jose' and Carly Moraes Conde of Brazil. Both sisters have a degree in elementary education. Ivelize became an American citizen and loves this country. She is president of the Church Women United in Pinckneyville, president of GFWC Illinois District 25, and is busy sewing, quilting and babysitting her grandchildren.

Kenneth and Ivelize were married in Brazil in a Catholic Church 04 April 1964. To this union



were born: Kenneth Charles Jr. (born 17 July 1965); Douglas Clayton (born 04 April 1967); Bianca Christina (born 14 July 1969); Jennifer Carol (born 08 June 1974); and Jessica Jean (born 01 April 1980).

Kenneth Jr. "Chuck" and Sherry Sroka were married in Pinckneyville. To this union were born Olivia and Audrey Mohr. Douglas and Andrea were married in Colorado. Bianca is engaged to Mike Boutshow of Pinckneyville. She was the 1986 Mardi Gras Queen. Jennifer is engaged to Rick Yeager of Pinckneyville. She was the 1989 Mardi Gras Queen. Jessica is a senior at Pinckneyville Community High School and was the 1997 Pinckneyville Mardi Gras Queen. She plans to attend college in the fall.

The Mohrs attend St. Paul United Church of Christ and Holts Prairie Baptist Church in Pinckneyville.

## MOHR-LOOS

William A. Mohr was born 09 February 1938 to Lawrence (09 November 1914-14 March 1995) and Ruth Smith Mohr (born 19 December 1916). His grandparents were William and Mary Weitzel Mohr and Arthur and Ida May Campbell Smith. His sisters are: Ruth Ann Plymale, mother of Dena Dieguez and Doug Plymale; and June Neal McDaniel, mother of Dr. Julie Margenthaler, Greg Margenthaler, and Cody Edwards.



Bill and Verna Mae Mohr.

Verna Mae Loos was born 09 July 1941 in Pinckneyville to Fred (10 February 1905-24 November 1978) and Anna Engelhardt Loos (25 January 1911-07 September 1989). Her grandparents were Peter and Molly Bommersheim Loos and Conrad and Emma Bender Engelhardt. She was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church in Pinckneyville. Her brothers are: Leonard (Hazel Stockton) (her child is Louis Hottes Jr.); and Frederick (Paula Mulkins), their children are Alicia, Amy, Amber, Bethany Loos and Tenaya Skidmore. Her sisters are: Mary Ann (Donald Fox), their children are Daron, Mark, and Donna Fox; Ruby (Mike Wotawa), their children are Tracy and Justin Wotawa; and Norma Jean (deceased).

Bill was baptized at Denmark Baptist Church and attended Six-Mile and Denmark grade schools. He then attended three years at Trico High School and spent his fourth year and graduated from Pinckneyville High School. He worked at Arch of Illinois Coal Mine as a truck driver and retired in 1997 after 33 years. He is also a farmer. He has his private pilot's license and enjoys going to Canada each year to fish.

Verna Mae attended Beaucoup Grade School. She graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1959. She then entered Deacon-

ess Hospital School of Nursing in St. Louis, Missouri, graduating in 1962. She then started working at Pinckneyville Community Hospital as a Registered Nurse. She retired in 1996 after working at Pinckneyville Hospital for 34 years. She enjoys photography.

Bill and Verna Mae were married on 06 October 1962 at St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church (now United Church of Christ) in Pinckneyville and reside near Conant.

## MOHR-SCHATTE

Raymond Mohr continues to reside in the Denmark (rural Cutler) area. Lora Mohr has been in residence at Pinckneyville Community Hospital's Skilled Care facility since November 1991.

Their daughters, Mary Jo Ann Mohr Martin, married to John Louis Martin, and Helen Rae Mohr Timpner, married to Ralph Edward Timpner, still live in the Pinckneyville area. After divorcing in 1989, daughter Brenda Jean Mohr married Mark Robert Hosto in 1991. Mark is the son of Robert and Ruth Suhre Hosto of Alhambra, Illinois in Madison County. They have a daughter, Andrea Lucille, born 12 November 1991, and a son, Robert Ray, born 19 January 1994.

Grandson, Allen Ray Martin, married Sandy Renee Spenner on 01 April 1995. They reside near Hoyleton, Illinois and have one son, Jacob Adam, born 10 May 1997. Sandy is the daughter of Virgil and Elaine Windler Spenner of Hoyleton.

Granddaughter, Lisa Jane Martin Trail, graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in 1997 with a Bachelor of Science in Education. Lisa and her husband Mark Eugene Trail, and daughters, Rebecca Jo and Kacie Ellen, still live in Pinckneyville.

Granddaughter, Cheryl Rae Timpner, graduated from Millikin University in Decatur in 1997 with a Bachelor of Arts in Music Business. She married Richard Paul Barker on 30 August 1997. They are currently living at Grand Forks Air Force Base, North Dakota, where Rich is stationed. He is the son of Gary Barker of Overland, Missouri and Beverly Gandy Daniel of Pinckneyville.

Granddaughter, Rhonda Gail Timpner, is a 1998 graduate of Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with a Bachelor of Science in Education. Granddaughter, Karen Lee Timpner, is a student at Southern.

(See histories in volume I: Martin-Mohr on page 225 and Timpner-Mohr on page 340. See histories in this volume: Martin-Timpner, Timpner, and Barker-Timpner.) Submitted by Helen Rae Mohr Timpner.

## MOLLOY-SCHLEPER

Agnes Marie Schleper is the youngest daughter of Godfrey J. Schleper and Tessie R. Hicks. She was born 29 June 1941 in Du Quoin. Agnes attended Sacred Heart School and Du Quoin high School, graduating in 1959. She attended the University of Illinois for two years and Southern Illinois University for two years and received her Bachelor of Science Degree in Education.

Agnes met her future husband John L. Molloy, Jr. of Westbury, Long Island, New York, at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale. He was an FBI agent. The couple was married on 28 August 1965 in Du Quoin. John's parents, six siblings, uncles, aunts, and friends flew from New York for the wedding.



Godfrey and Tessie Schleper's 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary, 08 August 1995; (seated) Janet Schleper Austin, Tessie & Godfrey Schleper, Agnes Schleper Molloy, (2<sup>nd</sup> row) Craig Austin, H. Bryant Austin, Beth Schmidt (Austin), Michael Molloy, Kathleen Molloy, (back) John Schmidt, John Molloy, Colleen Molloy, Devin Molloy.

John was transferred by the FBI from Carbondale, Illinois to San Francisco, California for two years. Their son, John Kevin, was born 24 June 1966 in San Francisco. John left the FBI, moved back to his home area and joined the law firm of his father in Westbury.

The next five Molloy children were born in Westbury: Kathleen, 06 September 1967; Kevin, 18 December 1968; Christopher, 25 April 1971; Colleen, 18 August 1973; and Michael, 03 September 1980. The boys graduated from Boston College with degrees in Finance and the girls graduated from Providence University with degrees in Finance.

## MOODY-LUZINAS

Thomas Robert Moody moved to Tilden, Illinois from Pinckneyville in 1903. He was born 30 June 1863 in Point Pleasant, West Virginia, a son of John B. and Elizabeth "Bessie" Waddle Moody, and died 06 August 1906 of typhoid fever. On 04 May 1885 in Vergennes, he married Mary Ann Todd, born 08 October 1865 in Pinckneyville, a daughter of John Marris and Melinda Presswood Todd and died 09 April 1925 in Tilden. After Thomas Moody's death the family moved to East St. Louis. Their children were: James L. Moody, born 15 October 1887 and died 14 April 1976, married 07 June 1917 to Lillie Montieth; Joseph Duce (?) Moody, born 30 April 1891, died 30 October 1898; Ernestine Louise Moody, born 20 June 1894 in Beaucoup, died 30 March 1982, married Charles Joseph Akin; Marion E. "Pay" Moody, born 18 June 1896, died 02 November 1983, married Minnie Clayton; John Thomas Moody, born 09 September 1898, died 17 February 1985; Jessie E. Moody, born 06 December 1901, died 22 October 1962, married on 05 September 1925 to Joe Shymkus; Adeline "Annie" Moody, born 04 December 1903, died 03 June 1994, in Rogers, Ohio, married Warren Cathcart.

Of the above children, John Thomas Moody met Antionette Lorraine Luzinas in Chicago. She was born 31 October 1915, a daughter of John and Patranella Luzinas. They were married in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 18 September 1929. They made Tilden their home for the rest of their lives. He worked as an electrician in Jones Mine and the Steel Mill of Granite City, and as a steamfitter at Swift and Company in East St. Louis, Illinois. He served as deacon and trustee of the Tilden Baptist Church and helped with the construction when the sanctuary was built in 1940.



His hobbies were playing the piano and woodcarving (owls were his favorite). Antionette served as pianist for the Tilden Baptist Church and taught Sunday School for many years. She served as secretary for the Ladies Auxiliary (A Miners Wives Group). She is an accomplished seamstress and artist, her specialty is painting portraits in oils. They purchased a home in Bricktown in Sparta. John wired the home for electricity and assisted in tuck-pointing the exterior. This home was sold to Clyde Croslin and later purchased by Mr. and Mrs. Alan Farris. John and Antionette were parents of two children: Joanne Moody, born 10 August 1930 and John Robert Moody, born 14 December 1932, died 02 June 1993.



John Thomas, Antoinette Luzinas, Joanne, and John Robert Moody of Tilden, October 1945.

Of these children, Joanne attended Tilden School for ten years, completing high school at Sparta in June 1948. During these years she played snare drums in the school band, adding symphony drums in high school under Director Festus Paul. She attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Joanne began a 35-year teaching career at the Dickey Country School in Washington County, then taught first grade and third grade (one year) in Tilden School the remaining years. During this time Joanne received her bachelors degree from McKendree College (1963) and masters degree in "Early Childhood" from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale (1972).



John Thomas and Antoinette Luzinas Moody.

Joanne is an active church member. She was the first woman to serve as Elder of the Tilden Presbyterian Church. She is a member of the choir, member of Session, co-teaches a Junior Sunday School class, and serves on two Presbytery positions: Committee on Ministry and as the Enabler for Area C., Cluster I. She is a charter member of the Tilden Scholarship Fund Committee, presently serves as president of the XI Upsilon Alumni Sorority, and established a story hour in the Tilden Village Hall. She has painted several murals in the community: a baptismal scene at the Nazarene Church, a Noah's Ark in the Presbyterian church

nursery, and a Tiger in the Tilden Grade School gymnasium. On 12 August 1949 she was married in Tilden to Melvin Lee Paul, born 13 March 1928. He is a dairy/grain farmer of rural Marissa. To this union were born five children: Mellanie Sue, Rebecca Kaye, Michael Bradley, Melinda Joanne and Martin Linwood.

The above John Robert Moody, born 1932 and died 1993, graduated from Marissa High School in June 1950 and attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. He was in the United States Navy, serving on the USS Arneb. He was married 16 June 1953 to Shirley Trefftz and had two sons: John Jeffrey born 1955 and Lane born 1957. They divorced in 1968. He was a stereo typesetter for World Color Press, St. Louis Post Dispatch and the Desert Tribune in Salt Lake City, Utah. He enjoyed sketching and writing poetry. On 23 September 1970 he married Mary Byford and had two daughters: Jamilyn born 11 November 1971 and Deanna Lynn born 28 February 1974. Submitted by Joanne Moody Paul.

## MOORE

John Rodman "JR" Moore was born on 02 July 1865 to James and Mary (Day) Moore. JR Moore married Martha Jane Lee (born 15 July 1869 to Briar and Lucretia Adeline Brooks Lee). JR and Martha Moore resided in Tamaroa and had fourteen children. Lela (married Jim Norton and moved to the Champaign, Illinois area), Perry (married Laura Baughman), Ora (married Charles Weil and moved to the Chicago area), Marie (married Dwight Provart), Wanda (married Carl Bachman and moved to Champaign, Illinois), Bill (married Beulah and lived in Tamaroa), Lillian "Babe" (married Woodrow Freese and lived in Champaign, Illinois and Palm Springs, California), Jack (married Nona Baughman and lived in Tamaroa), Claude (married Lola Mae Ehler), Wayne (died at age 13), Frances (married Albert Ligier and lives in Palm Springs, California), Richard (died as a child), Edith (died as a child), and Virginia (died as an child). JR owned and operated The Tamaroa Harness Shop that was located on what is now known as Oak Street in Tamaroa. Martha owned and operated the Tamaroa hotel (in the 1920s) that was named "Moore's House", which was also located on Oak Street. JR died in December of 1943 and Martha died in April of 1963.

On 01 October 1932 Claude Lee Moore married Lola Mae Ehler (born 24 March 1910 to Warren and Anna Marlow Ehler) at the Pinckneyville courthouse. Claude and Lola were able to celebrate their 64<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary together just prior to Claude's death 05 December 1996. Claude and Lola were lifelong residents of Tamaroa and raised two sons (Carl Lee and Charles Lowell). Lola still lives in their house that originally was a barn moved in the 1920s from the Jim Brady resident in-town Tamaroa.

Carl Lee Moore was born 09 July 1934. He graduated from Tamaroa High School (1952) and married Julia Chapman. Carl and Julia Moore had two children: Michael Raymond (born 24 July 1954) and Mitzi Ann (born 01 July 1962). Carl is retired from Sherman Williams and currently resides in Carbondale. His son, Michael Raymond Moore married Tanya Griffith of Tamaroa in 1971 and had two sons: Shane Aaron and Ryan Lee. Mike, Tanya and Ryan currently live in De Soto, Illinois and Shane, along with his wife, Stephanie,

lives in Georgia. Carl's daughter, Mitzi Ann Alexander, currently lives in Carterville with her husband Ken and her daughter Misty Nicole Trexler.



J.R., Martha, Lela, and Perry Moore.

Charles "Bub" Lowell Moore was born 27 November 1937. He graduated from Tamaroa High School (1956) and attended Barber College in Decatur, Illinois. Charlie "Bub" Moore married Sherry Lynn Anderson in 1961 and had one daughter, Robin Lee. Charlie currently resides in Du Quoin and owns Charlie's Barber Shop on West Main Street. Charlie's daughter, Robin Lee, was born 02 February 1962. She married David Scott Pierce, son of Scotty and Carolyn Gillis Pierce, and they have three children: James "Devon", Ian Scott, and Whitney Rachele. The Pierce's currently reside on Route 51 between Du Quoin and Tamaroa in the old Bailey/Junior Hilt home. Submitted by Robin Pierce.

## MORGENTHALER-EISENHAUER

Larry Gene Morgenthaler was born on 03 March 1940 in Pinckneyville, Illinois to John Creal and Mary Augusta (Brueggemann) Morgenthaler. He has a sister Shirley Fulton and a brother John Morgenthaler. Larry's maternal grandparents were Edward Lewis Herman and Margaret (Bills) Brueggemann and his paternal grandparents were Phillip and Dotha (Queen) Morgenthaler. Larry attended Pinckneyville Grade, Junior High and High schools. He is a graduate of Pinckneyville Community High School "Class of 1958". On 15 September 1962 he married Connie Chapman and this marriage ended in a divorce.



Larry Morgenthaler Family—Sue and Chad Todaro Wedding 02 November 1996—(back) Troy Pabst, Tina Pabst, Pam Morgenthaler, Sue Todaro, Chad Todaro, Larry morgenthaler, Laura Sronce, Mike Sronce, Koby Sronce, (front) Tiffany Pabst, Ryan Sronce.

Larry and Connie are the parents of Laura Jean born 14 October 1966. Laura married Michael Gene Sronce on 08 November 1986. Laura and Mike are the parents of Ryan Michael



born 10 December 1990 and Koby Gene born 05 May 1994. On 20 July 1968 Larry remarried to Pamela Kathryn Eisenhauer at the First Baptist Church in Nashville, Illinois. Reverend Raymond McAfee performed the ceremony. Their only attendants were Mr. and Mrs. Melvin (Dutch and Letha) Ferrero. To this day they have remained very close friends. Larry and Pam started their new life together on the place where Larry's mother was raised, formerly known as the Brueggemann homeplace. They still live there and now own that farm. Larry and Pam will be married thirty years this year. Pamela Kathryn Eisenhauer was born on 28 September 1947 in Columbus, Ohio to Lewis Elmer and Catherine Virginia (Seibert) Eisenhauer. Pam has two sisters, Paula Koon and Patti Pontbriand, and an adopted brother, Gary Lewis, who is deceased. Pam's maternal grandparents were Jacob George and Elizabeth Jane (Arndell) Seibert. Her paternal grandparents were Oscar Jacob and Ida Regina (Endres) Eisenhauer. Pam attended St. Bruno's and is a 1965 graduate of Pinckneyville Community High School. Larry has been employed for twenty-five years at Illinois Power Company at Baldwin, Illinois. Pam is currently a housewife and works two days a week as Activity Director with the Perry County Handicapped Program. She also works as a volunteer with the Pathway Preschool. Larry and Pam are the parents of Tina Renee and Sue Marie. Tina was born on 28 September 1969 on her mother's birthday. Tina married Troy Allen Pabst on 01 July 1990. Tina and Troy are the parents of Tiffany Nicole born 04 September 1992 and Taryn Elizabeth born 14 March 1997. Sue Marie was born 23 June 1973. Sue married Chad David Todaro on 02 November 1996. At this time, they have no children. Larry enjoys hunting, fishing and gardening. Pam enjoys quilting with the Swanwick Sewing Circle, flower gardening and yard sales. Larry and Pam enjoy their grandchildren Ryan, Koby, Tiffany and Taryn. Larry and Pam attend and are members of the Winkle Baptist Church in Coulterville.

## MORITZ, DAVID G.



David G. Moritz.

David George Moritz is the son of Richard and Georgia Wolfe Moritz. Born in Pinckneyville Community Hospital on 12 December 1970 (on his paternal great-grandmother's birthday). He attended Pinckneyville Grade and High Schools, graduating in 1988. He played football on the Panther team. He attended Arkansas State University and Rend Lake College studying law enforcement. He was called to serve in the prison system at Joliet and spent three years there before transferring to Menard Prison at Chester, Illinois where he has been for the past three years. He

lives in Pinckneyville. David is an avid goose and duck hunter and fisherman. He is a Master Mason and a member of Ainad Shrine in East St. Louis, Illinois. He is a member of St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## MORRIS-EISENHAUER

Continuing the family story from the 1988 Perry County History Book: Philip "Greg" and Vicki moved from Du Quoin to Tamaroa in 1970, when Jeff was one year old, Karla was three years old and twins, Ken and Eric were four and a half years old.

All four kids attended twelve grades in the Tamaroa schools. Tamaroa High School was transferred to Pinckneyville just after Jeff graduated.



Chase and Brittany McKinnies.

Vicki was a Tamaroa Grade School board member for twelve years; through the year when the school building was condemned, gutted and rebuilt to continue for many more years of educating Tamaroa's youth. Arthritis finally put an end to Vicki's 35 years of hair styling except for her family. She now has an antique and second-hand store, Lot of Stuff, in Pinckneyville.

Greg worked in southern Illinois coal mines from 1968 to 1992. With few jobs available locally, he continued his electrical work at a power plant in Florida, where Eric was already employed. He worked there, coming home only every couple of months, for two years. He was hired at Granite City Steel in September 1995 and he likes it except for that ninety minute drive every day and night.

Greg's father, Raymond, passed away in 1997 at 92 years of age. Folks in Du Quoin knew Ray as a hard working carpenter, gardener and avid nature lover all of his life. Greg's mother, Sylvia, has spent the last few years in a nursing home, a victim of Alzheimer's Disease. Vicki's parents, Leonard and Inez Eisenhauer, are in both of the Perry County History volumes.

Ken, Eric and Jeff all attended colleges and attained degrees. Karla was the first to marry and leave home (wedding photo in 1988 book). Karla and Dan McKinnies have two children, Brittany born 29 January 1992, and Chase born 26 April 1994. They are enjoying their lives in Syracuse, Indiana where Dan is the minister of a Pentecost Church. They have been settled there about four years. When Dan began his ministry they traveled a lot, spending weeks or months in Michigan, Arkansas, and South Carolina and were very missed by their families in southern Illinois.

Eric left home and worked in Florida for about four years; an electrician at West Palm Beach Power Company. He met Clair Flintoll there. Clair is a native of England and now Eric's wife. Her parents and two brothers remain in England. Eric

and Clair moved back to Southern Illinois a couple of years ago and now live in St. Jacob, Illinois. Clair is finishing college in Edwardsville and Eric is an electrician at a steam power plant located right on the river in St. Louis, Missouri.

Ken and his wife, Brenda Schubert, live close by in Albers, Illinois. They recently moved from West Frankfort. Ken drives to work in St. Louis and Brenda to Mt. Vernon. There is a possibility that their first child could be born on Brenda or Vicki's birthday this year in July.

Jeff is still at home as his dad's "chief electrician". This keeps him quite busy at times, but he still has time for his good friends and summer water sports on ski and aqua jets. He loves music, plays a mean guitar, and is a fun "Uncle Jeff" to Brittany and Chase. This year the 911 emergency system has given the Morris home its first official address.

And so—Vicki and Greg's story this far covers four addresses and four kids, two sweet grandchildren, 15 vehicles and at least that many furry "babies" (cats), and how many more of any of these—(except kids!)? Submitted by Vicki Eisenhauer Morris.

## MORRIS-SCHUBERT

Brenda Ann Schubert and Kenneth Gregory Morris were married at the Herrin Civic Center, Herrin, Illinois on 11 July 1992. Ken and Brenda currently reside in Albers, Illinois. Ken is the Facilities Manager at Alvey Systems, Incorporated, St. Louis, Missouri. Brenda is the Retail Manager for Cracker Barrel Old Country Store in Mt. Vernon, Illinois.



Kenneth and Brenda Schubert Morris.

Brenda is the youngest daughter of Gerald J. and Mary Klostermann Schubert of Nashville, Illinois. She was born at the Washington County Hospital, Nashville, Illinois on 14 November 1967. Brenda was raised on the family farm three miles west of Tamaroa. She graduated from District #211 Elementary School in May of 1981, and District #102 Tamaroa High School in June 1985. Brenda earned an Associate of Science Degree in Business from Rend Lake Community College, Ina, Illinois in May 1987. She graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in August 1989 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management. Brenda's maternal grandparents are Arthur and Regina Rehkemper Klostermann of St. Rose, Illinois. Paternal grandparents are John and Barbara Kitowski Schubert of Nashville, Illinois.

Ken is the oldest son of Greg and Vicki Eisenhauer Morris of Tamaroa. He was born at Marshall Browning Hospital, Du Quoin, Illinois on 11 September 1965. Ken's family lived in Du Quoin until he was three years of age, then moved



to Tamaroa. He graduated from District #5 Elementary School in May 1979, and District #102 Tamaroa High School in June 1983. Ken earned an Associate of Science Degree in Industrial Technology from Rend Lake Community college, Ina, Illinois in May 1987. He graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in December 1989 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Industrial Technology. Ken's maternal grandparents are Leonard and Inez Bost Eisenhauer of Du Quoin. Paternal grandparents are Raymond and Sylvia Teel Morris of Du Quoin.

Ken and Brenda welcomed their first child, a son, Clinton Michael Morris, to their family on 10 July 1998. "Clint" was born in Mt. Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois.

## MORRIS-TEEL

Raymond Adams Morris (born 27 April 1905 Du Quoin, Illinois; died 05 July 1997) married Sylvia Teel (born 06 May 1913 Du Quoin). They reared three children in Du Quoin. Philip "Greg" (born 26 February 1941; see Morris-Eisenhauer history), Susan Melissa (born 06 November 1944), and Lisa Ellen (born 09 August 1947). Susan married Willard Giffin of Ava and they had a son, Raymond and daughter, Karen, who resides in Kansas City, Kansas.

Lisa married John Galman III in 1967. They reside in Springfield, Illinois and have three daughters. Angela Susanne (born 29 November 1972) married Raymond J. Caruso (born 29 April 1972); Sara Kathlene (born 21 January 1978 in Springfield, Illinois); and Brenda Melissa (born 06 November 1977) has a son, Mitchell B. Clagett (born 11 October 1995).

Raymond Morris' father was David Morris (23 April 1875-05 May 1945 Du Quoin). David married Susan Phelps Adams (15 April 1877 Old Du Quoin-15 July 1970 Du Quoin) (see Adams-Morris history in volume 1). David's father was Thomas Morris (21 September 1838 Staffordshire, England—18 September 1891 Du Quoin). He married Caroline Hickman, daughter of Joseph and Rachel Hobson Hickman of Gorhamwood, England. Caroline was born 21 December 1842 and died 14 May 1916. Thomas and Caroline lived near Birmingham, England before coming to the United States.

Raymond Morris had three sisters, also born in Du Quoin: Lucille Caroline (born 23 April 1903; died 1997 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana). She married Floyd Crawford, who was a prominent citizen of Baton Rouge and there they also raised their family; Gertrude Skinner Morris, born 06 August 1907. She was librarian at Du Quoin High School for many years, retired to Bloomington, Illinois, where she died 05 March 1982; Janette Abigail Morris, born 18 July 1913, married in Du Quoin on 11 April 1936 to William Voice, born 18 February 1911 Du Quoin, and died 14 April 1996 in Bloomington, Illinois where he and Janette lived and raised two children, David and Judy, and saw nine grandchildren grow up. (See Teel-Morris history.)

Sarah Buckingham Sprague was Raymond Morris' great, great grandmother. She was born 04 February 1790 and died 22 May 1852. She married Benjamin Sprague who was born 03 April 1778 and died 03 January 1858.

Sarah's daughter, Julia Ann Sprague (31 January 1809-05 March 1874) married Lucius Skinner (07 April 1804-28 March 1851). Julia's daughter,

Abigail Marie Skinner (13 December 1846-30 March 1910) married Isaac Barber Adams (17 January 1838-07 March 1917). These are the parents of Susan Phelps Adams, mother of Raymond Morris.

## MUCHA-DIGNATH

Marie Dignath married Gottlieb Mucha in Germany. They had the following children: Fred, Charles (married Theresa Martin), Henry (08 May 1909-17 April 1919), William (stillborn), Marie (married William Gallmeister), Augusta (married John Prazck), John O. Mucha.

Charles and Theresa had no children of their own but adopted a daughter, Linda, who married a Huite. Linda and her husband had no children and later divorced. Linda married second to a Wright who had four children by a previous marriage.

Henry was killed by a train at the Park Street crossing on his way to J.B. Ward School. Katherine Dignath was walking to work at the Blakeslee Foundry when Henry passed her on his way to school. It was not long after that that a young boy came running up to her and told her that a boy had been killed crawling under a coal train and that he thought she was related to him. He asked her to come to the depot to identify the body, which she did.

Augusta and John Prazck lived and died in West Frankfort, Illinois. They had a son, John, who became a dentist and practiced in Evanston, Illinois. He married Nadine (?) and they had a son, John Jr., who was also a doctor and practices in Dallas, Texas. Augusta and John also had a daughter, Florence, who married Alfred Paul. Alfred is now deceased but Florence lives in Houston, Texas. They had no children.

John O. Mucha married Dorothy Franklin (deceased) and they had a son, John D., and a daughter, Janet. They also had a stillborn child.

## MURPHY-MC CALL

John Murphy was born in Northern Ireland and immigrated to America before the Revolution. He was a soldier in the Revolutionary War having fought on the side of the Patriots at the battle of Kings Mountain and other battles in the south. While residing in North Carolina, he met and married Miss Jane "Jennie" McCall about 1795. They resided in Smith County, Tennessee for a time before moving on to Illinois, arriving in 1818 at the edge of Lost Prairie in Perry County, Illinois. They were the parents of five boys and five girls. He was a stone mason by trade but also engaged in tilling the soil. Murphysboro, the county seat of Jackson County, is said to be named in his honor. Mrs. Jane Murphy was the earliest member of the Baptist faith in Perry County. The family continued to reside at Lost Prairie, now known as Cutler, until their deaths. He died between 1825 and 1830 and she died in 1827. It is concluded they were buried near their home, later known as the "Butler Nace Farm" in section 23, township 5 south, range 4 west. Submitted by Robert C. Barber.

## MYDLER

Roy Allen Mydler was born 29 November 1941 on the family farm in northeastern Perry County, Illinois. He was the fourth child of Edward Ernest Mydler (born in DuBois, Illinois 19

September 1902; died 19 June 1969 Jefferson County, Illinois) and LaVada Mann (born in DuBois, Illinois 15 August 1901; died 08 December 1979 in Perry County, Illinois). Roy has two sisters, Frances Hallene Remus born in Perry County, Illinois 11 June 1924 and Virginia May Wyciskalla born in Perry County, Illinois 04 May 1938 and one brother, Edward Ernest Mydler was born in Cook County, Illinois 16 February 1929.



Roy, Mary and Alan Mydler October 1997.

Roy's maternal grandparents were Edward Thomas Mann (born 19 August 1880 Indiana; died 1949 Cook County) and Flora May Watts (born 16 May 1880 Illinois; died 18 February 1953 Cook County, Illinois). Roy's paternal grandparents were Frank (Mydlarz) Mydler (born 22 January 1889 Montana; died 12 July 1947 Illinois) and Kate Knecht Bejma (born 26 January 1861 New Orleans, Louisiana; died 16 April 1950 Perry County, Illinois).

Roy went to Hopewell School for one year at four years of age with his older sister Virginia because he liked it so well and the teacher let him. It was a long walk through the fields, especially when the snow was deep. Every day the two children had to cross the dreaded Troll Bridge. He attended grade school at the DuBois Public School. Roy graduated from Tamaroa High School 1959. While in high school he was included in the "Boys from DuBois", the bane of teachers, principals and custodians. He joined the Navy after graduation but did not set foot on a ship. He served as air controlman on a WV2 Super Constellation. He worked for McDonnell Douglas assembling Gemini Spacecraft. Roy worked mine construction and finished his career with Consolidation Coal Company serving as Chief Electrician at Burning Star Nos. 4 & 5, Long Wall Maintenance Foreman at Rend Lake Mine and Maintenance foreman at Burning Star No. 4 retiring 01 October 1997.

Roy married Janet Sue Gilliam in Perry County, Illinois. Of this union two sons, Wade Allen (born 24 January 1964 Perry County, Illinois) and Royce Allen (born 15 January 1973 Perry County, Illinois), and one daughter, Amy Marie (born 12 April 1967 Fulton County, Illinois). Roy and Janet divorced in Perry County on 06 February 1979.

Roy and Mary Louise Nielsen were united in marriage in Perry County 29 November 1980. Of this union was born Alan Edward 24 March 1986 in Perry County.

Roy and Mary made their home southeast of the Du Quoin City Lake for seventeen years and now reside on thirty-three acres northwest of the Du Quoin City Lake.

## MYDLER-NIELSEN

Mary Louise Nielsen Mydler was born 21 September 1956 in Yankton County, South Dakota. She was the third child of Leonard Francis Nielsen



(born 20 March 1929 Yankton County, South Dakota; died 08 May 1988 Yankton County) and Nellie Bernice Rheiner Nielsen (born 26 May 1929 Yankton County). Mary has three sisters: Kathleen Faye Folifka Highstreet (born 01 February 1952), Nancy Ann Faulkner (born 26 January 1960), Karen Ruth Hellbusch Thompson (born 19 July 1961) and two brothers: Andrew Joseph (born 26 October 1953) and James Lee (born 04 September 1958). All were born in Yankton County, South Dakota.

Mary's maternal grandparents were Joseph Henry Rheiner (born 22 May 1856 Oshkosh, Wisconsin; died 20 September 1939 Yankton County, South Dakota) and Nellie Bernice Garness Simel Rheiner (born 10 April 1890 Turner County, South Dakota; died 27 September 1978 Yankton County). Mary's paternal grandparents were Niels Harry Nielsen (born 25 May 1888 Yankton County; died 08 October 1954 Yankton County) and Louise "Lulu" Dralle (born 16 May 1891 Iowa; died 02 August 1957 Yankton County). All Mary's grandparents homesteaded in the Dakota Territory. Great Grandfather Jacob Rheiner immigrated from Switzerland, fought, and died for the Confederacy.

Mary attended a two room public grade school in Mission Hill, South Dakota and graduated from Yankton Senior High School in 1974. She graduated from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology in absentia December 1978 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Mining Engineering. In September of 1978 she moved to Pinckneyville, Illinois to work for Consolidation Coal Company. Mary was married to Roy A. Mydler at Bethel Lutheran Church, Du Quoin, Illinois, 29 November 1980. It was Roy's birthday and the best present he ever received.

Mary dedicates herself to making a home for husband Roy and son Alan Edward born in Perry County, Illinois 24 March 1986. Mary is active in Bethel Lutheran Church, the Lutheran Women's Missionary League, Lutheran Brotherhood Branch 8084, Perry County Homemakers Education Association, Perry County 4-H, the Du Quoin Food Pantry and Du Quoin Unit #300 Schools as a volunteer.

In addition to Consolidation Coal Company she has been employed as a teacher's aide at Bethel Nursery School and bookkeeper for American Legion Post 647. Currently she is serving as an AMERICORPS/VISTA volunteer with the Illinois Department of Aging.

## NAGEL-BENNETT

Timothy "Tim" Harold Nagel was born 04 October 1951 in Cincinnati, Ohio. Tim, son of Harold and Twila Jackson Nagel, married Cheryl Elaine Bennett 01 March 1975 in Cincinnati. Cheryl is the daughter of Cecil Bennett and Rena Brewer Bennett, born 28 October 1952 in Cincinnati where she and Tim still reside. They met each other in high school. Tim's mother, Twila Mae Jackson Nagel, was born 12 July 1919 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Children of Timothy Nagel and Cheryl Bennett are: Timothy Lee Nagel, born 29 November 1980; Sally Elaine Nagel, born 15 April 1983; and Andrew William Nagel, born 15 March 1985.

Tim attended Columbus Ohio Technical Institute. Cheryl attended Cincinnati Bible Seminary in Cincinnati.

They began going to Western Hills Church of Christ. Since Tim is hearing impaired and Cheryl is deaf, they had the idea of beginning a church for people with hearing problems. The new church, now known as the Western Hills Church of Christ for the Deaf, has been very successfully providing lip reading, signing and interpreting.



(back) Timothy Lee, Timothy Harold, (front) Cheryl Elaine (Bennet), Andrew William, and Sally Elaine Nagel.

Tim has a position at The Henkel Corporation. His hobbies are working on automobiles and playing volleyball. Cheryl's hobbies are making crafts and cooking. Both enjoy the activities of their children and making future plans for them. Submitted by Twila Mae Jackson Nagel.

## NAGEL-BIRD

Thomas "Tom" Lee Nagel was born 26 December 1949 in Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of Harold Nagel and Twila Jackson Nagel. Tom's mother, Twila Mae Jackson Nagel, was born 12 July 1919 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Thomas married Ellen Louise Bird, 11 July 1975 in Cincinnati, the daughter of Harold Emory Bird and Elizabeth Borthwick Bird. Ellen was born on 27 January 1947 in Scranton, Pennsylvania. They live in Cincinnati where both of their children were born: Thomas Harold Nagel born 30 August 1979 and William Clark Nagel born 29 November 1980.



Thomas, Ellen, Tom and Bill Nagel.

Tom and Ellen met in Cincinnati where she was a high school teacher and he managed a delicatessen, two doors from where Ellen lived. It was at that deli where they met and later fell in love.

Tom attended the University of Cincinnati prior to enlisting in the Air Force where he did a tour in Vietnam. Ellen graduated from Kutztown University of Pennsylvania and received her Masters and Law Degree from the University of Cincinnati. She currently works as an Attorney Advisor with the Social Security Administration. Tom is employed by the University Hospital in Cincinnati as a locksmith. He also operates a business dealing with residential sound systems.

Tom, Ellen and both sons are members of the College Hill Presbyterian Church. Son, Tom, is currently studying journalism at Ohio University. Bill is looking into colleges offering computer programming and engineering for when he graduates next year. They all enjoy long weekends at their cabin in Kentucky. Submitted by Twila Mae Jackson Nagel.

## NAGEL-JACKSON

Twila Mae Jackson was born 12 July 1919 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Twila was the daughter of William Franklin Jackson and Lola Grace (Commean) Jackson. She attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois. She later attended Browns Business College and had a position with a medical insurance company until she married Harold William Nagel, 22 June 1940. She jokingly commented, since Harold enrolled her into the college, she married him to get her tuition back. By this time, Harold had a position with Southern Ohio College in Cincinnati, Ohio. After their marriage, they moved to Cincinnati where he later became owner and president of Southern Ohio Junior College. Twila was a substitute teacher. They now live in Wyoming, Ohio a suburb of Cincinnati. Harold was the son of Fred W. Nagel and Bertha Struckmeyer. Harold was born in Nashville, Illinois on 22 November 1914.



Harold and Twila Nagel.

They had three children: Alan Keith Nagel born, 14 November 1942 in Cincinnati, Ohio, married Patricia Ann Long on 29 August 1964; Thomas Lee Nagel, born 26 December 1949 in Cincinnati, Ohio, married Ellen Louise Bird on 11 July 1975; and Timothy Harold Nagel, born 04 October 1951 in Cincinnati, Ohio, married Cheryl Elaine Bennett on 04 March 1975.

Harold W. Nagel is a veteran of World War II. They are members of Wyoming Baptist Church. Besides being an executive homemaker, Twila has always taken an active part in drama and continues to direct dramas, likes music and helping in her family genealogy. Harold and Twila personally designed their present home.

They have great fun being with their families, grandchildren and their new great-grandchild, Jacob Alan Donahue. Submitted by Twila Jackson Nagel.

## NAGEL-LONG

Alan Keith Nagel was born 14 November 1942 in Cincinnati, Ohio, the son of Harold Nagel and Twila Jackson Nagel. Alan's mother, Twila Mae Jackson Nagel, was born 12 July 1919 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. After attending Miami University of Ohio, Alan married Patricia



"Pat" Ann Long 29 August 1964 in Cincinnati, Ohio, daughter of Benjamin and Ethel Walters Long. Patricia was born on 31 August 1945 in Cincinnati, Ohio. They are currently living in Noblesville, Indiana.



Alan Keith and Patricia Ann Long Nagel.

Children of Alan Nagel and Patricia Long are: Cara Lee Nagel, born 04 September 1966 in Cincinnati, Ohio; and Todd Alan Nagel, born 23 August 1968, in Cincinnati, Ohio. Todd is unmarried at this time and he is a carpenter.



Todd Alan and Cara Lee Nagel.

Alan is attending Indiana Wesleyan College and works full time as a Traffic Manager. He will be starting his masters program in 1998 for Family and Marriage Counseling. Pat is a medical secretary. *Submitted by Alan and Pat Long Nagel.*

## NAPIER

James Andrew Napier was born in North Umberland, England on 22 December 1879. He came to Du Quoin as a child. On 17 October 1903 he married Margaret Matilda Conley (born 20 September 1882 in England). James and Margaret Napier had seven children (all of which were born in Du Quoin). George Winton (born 20 July 1904), Jimmy (died as a child), Grace Gertrude (born 04 July 1905), Sarah Jane Elizabeth (born 21 July 1908), Peggy Blanche (born 16 April 1910), Max Napoleon (born 29 January 1912), Lamar Schlitz (born 19 August 1914), and William (born 17 September 1915). In James' life he was noted for playing Santa Claus and Father Time to area children. He started in 1932 and grew an authentic white beard. One entire room at his home would be filled with oranges, apples, bananas, and candy for his Christmas giving. He would ride the train from Du Quoin to Centralia and back every Christmas Eve. At each stop on this train trip he would distribute fruit and candy to children, and spreading the Christmas spirit (until his death in September 1958).

On 14 November 1925, Sarah Jane Elizabeth Napier married George Algernon Alvis

(born 29 July 1905 to George and Effie Alvis) at the Nashville Courthouse. George and Sarah "Sally" Alvis had seven children (all born in Du Quoin). Peggy June (born 14 April 1926), George "Bud" Daniel (born 07 August 1927), Marilyn Joyce (born 28 January 1931), Jane Louise (born 24 November 1941), Phillip Lamar (born 06 November 1936), Janice Kay (born 05 January 1946), and Joan Ember (born 29 September 1947). All of George and Sally's children currently reside in Perry County except Janice Kay.



James Napier as Father Time and Sherry (Anderson) Moore—Christmas Eve 1947.

On 09 February 1945, Peggy June Alvis, married Thomas "Dumpy" Anderson (born 04 May 1925 to Homer and Addie [Vincent] Anderson). They lived in Du Quoin on Jefferson Avenue. "Dumpy" and Peggy (Alvis) Anderson had one daughter, Sherry Lynn (born in Du Quoin on 16 November 1945). Peggy currently lives in Tamaroa on Hickory Street.

On 14 June 1961, Sherry Lynn Anderson married Charles "Bub" Lowell Moore (born 27 November 1937 to Claude and Lola [Ehler] Moore of Tamaroa). They lived in Du Quoin on Jefferson Avenue. Charlie and Sherry Moore had one daughter, Robin Lee (born 02 February 1962 in Du Quoin). Sherry currently lives in Tamaroa on Hickory Street.

On 10 October 1987, Robin Lee Moore married David Scott Pierce (born in Du Quoin on 10 June 1962 to Scotty and Carolyn [Gillis] Pierce). David and Robin Pierce have three children, James "Devon" (born 08 May 1988), Ian Scott (born 15 January 1993), and Whitney Rachelle (born 28 January 1997). Robin, David, Devon, Ian, and Whitney Pierce currently reside in the old Bailey/Junior and Maxine Hilt home located on Route 51 between Tamaroa and Du Quoin. *Submitted by Robin Pierce.*

## NEAL-BOLING

James Walter Neal is Scottish and American Indian. With blond hair and blue eyes, he stands six foot 4 inches tall. He was born 15 April 1924 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, son of George Albert Neal Sr. and Rachel Emma Stanhouse. James was one of five children. James served in the South Pacific in World War II as a Sergeant in the Marine Corps, Mech. Air 747, Material Club 835, 413 Squadron from 1943-1946. James W. married Virginia Irene Boling in Detroit, Michigan, on 16 June 1946, and had three girls (Sherre, Dona and Jamie). He studied at Elgin Watchmakers College in Elgin, Illinois. In 1960, James' talent as a jeweler/watchmaker brought him and his family to Aurora, Kane County, Illinois. In 1970, James and Virginia moved to Pana, Christian County, Illinois, and opened Jamie's Jewelry Store. They divorced in 1975.

Virginia Irene Boling is Cherokee Indian, Hunganrian and Polish with dark hair and eyes, stands five foot eight inches tall. She was born 22 April 1926 in Hurst, Williamson County, Illinois, daughter of James C. Boling (born 1902 in Thebes, Alexander County, Illinois; died 1954 in Chester, Randolph County, Illinois) and Anne Pauline Skobel (born 22 December 1905 in Danville, Vermilion County, Illinois; died 24 December 1993 in Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois; buried at San Carlos Cemetery, Herrin, Williamson County, Illinois). Virginia's brother, Carl Edward Boling, born 1925 Hurst, Illinois, died 1985 in Murphysboro, Jackson County, Illinois, is buried at Pleasant Hill Cemetery. A sister, Peggy Ruth Boling, was born November 1928 in Hurst, Illinois. Virginia was a homemaker and later studied as a cosmetologist and owned her own shops. She also learned keypunch and was a keypunch operator until moving to Pana, Illinois.



The Neal Family.

Sherre Lyn Neal, born 04 April 1947 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, married Richard Lavon Huffman in Aurora, Kane County, Illinois, on 14 September 1968 and had two boys, Eric Lavon Huffman (born 30 June 1969 Aurora, Illinois) and Christopher James Huffman (born 12 August 1971 Aurora, Illinois). Christopher died 26 April 1998 in Montgomery, Kane County, Illinois, in a house fire.

Dona Rae Neal, born 30 July 1949 at St. John's Hospital, Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois. Dona married Thomas Eugene Lawrence on 10 June 1972 in Nokomis, Illinois. Thomas Eugene Lawrence was born 09 October 1950. They had three children: Ambrosia Rae Lawrence born 10 October 1974 at St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur, Macon County, Illinois; and twins, Tracey Lyn and Travis Eugene Lawrence born 06 January 1978 at St. Mary's Hospital in Decatur, Illinois.

Jamie D'Ann Neal, born 05 August 1954 at Missouri Baptist Hospital in St. Louis, St. Louis County, Missouri, married Miles Lansing Stille on 20 April 1974 in Pana, Illinois. Miles Lansing Stille was born 18 March 1955. They had two children. Jason Miles Stille was born 16 May 1975; Airyn Viray Stille was born 10 October 1977 in Hopewell, Virginia. Chance Timothy Jackson Stille, born 18 April 1986, in Jacksonville, Illinois is the son of Jamie Stille and Timothy Jackson of Roodhouse, Illinois.

James Walter Neal married Sharon Ann Cervi 09 September 1979. *Submitted by Sherre Lyn Neal.*

## NEAL-DOOLIN

James K. Neal was born 12 December 1865 and died 01 May 1892. He married Ida Mae Doolin 04 August 1887. They had four children:



George Albert, Jennetta, James R. and Clarence M. Ida Mae Doolin Neal later married Commodore Hicks and they had four children: Griffie, Ramos, Eva and Tessie.

James K. Neal and Ida Mae lived in Cairo, Alexander County, Illinois, where all of their children were born. George Albert was born 19 March 1891 and died 18 April 1925. Jeannetta was born 15 April 1895 and died 07 March 1950. She married McKinley Wall and they had three children: Justine, Rembert (country-western singer and of his group played guitar), and Georginia. James R. died 01 May 1898. Clarence M. Neal was born 03 July 1888 and died 23 September 1888.

Ida Mae Doolin Neal married Commodore Hicks and they had four children: Griffie (Hall), born 15 May 1901; Ramos, born 15 December 1902; Eva (Porter), born 18 June 1905; and Tessie (Schleper), born 28 July 1907 or 1908. Ida Mae Doolin was born 24 September 1873 in Thompsonville, Franklin County, Illinois and died 26 August 1951, was the daughter of Daniel D. Doolin and Emmiline Adams.

Daniel D. Doolin, born 1816, died 21 April 1895, was a native of Shawneetown, Saline County, Illinois. He had brothers come and settle in Harrisburg, Saline County, Illinois. Daniel D. stood five foot seven inches tall, had light auburn hair and beard, grey eyes and a light complexion. From 1862-1865, during the Civil War, Daniel was a private, Company C, 81<sup>st</sup> Infantry Regiment of Illinois Volunteers. It is said that he was on the food wagon that went with the troops. Daniel married Emmiline Adams 25 August 1854.

Emmiline Adams, born 25 March 1835 in Thompsonville, Franklin County, Illinois, died 19 May 1919, is buried in East Fork Cemetery. Emmiline was part Native American Indian and had very dark hair and eyes and stood five feet four inches tall. She smoked a clay pipe and always wore a little apron with big pockets. At a late age, she went blind, probably cataracts. She lived in town and had a garden with a blackberry patch, pigs and a cow. Emmiline helped raise Ida Mae's four Hicks children. George Albert Neal, Ida's son and half brother to the Hicks children, helped by sending money from Elgin, Illinois at the age of sixteen or seventeen.

Commodore Hicks, born 1870, died 28 December 1907, is buried in East Fork Cemetery, West Frankfort, Franklin County, Illinois. He was from Parish, Illinois, which became a ghost town after the "Great Tornado of 1925". Commodore was the son of Harrison Hicks (born 1842 in Thompsonville, Illinois; buried at Hicks Cemetery) and Rachel Boyles (born 24 July 1848 in Dipper, Mississippi; died October 1922). Rachel came to Illinois at a very young age and lived near Thompsonville. Rachel's father came from Ireland. Rachel was always dressed neatly and wore her hair in a bun on the top of her head. *Submitted by Sherre Lyn Neal.*

## NEAL-HUFFMAN

Sherre Lyn Neal has dark blond hair and blue eyes and stands five feet, seven and one-half inches tall. She was born 05 April 1947 at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, eldest daughter of James Walter Neal and Virginia Irene Boling. James Walter Neal was born 15 April 1924 Du Quoin, Illinois and Virginia Irene Boling was born 22 April 1926 in Hurst, Williamson County, Illinois. Sherre married Ri-

chard Lavon Huffman on 14 September 1968 at Marion Avenue Baptist Church in Aurora, Kane County, Illinois. They had two sons, Eric and Christopher. Sherre and Richard were divorced in 1976. Sherre has lived most of her life in Aurora, Illinois, attending the public schools, working and raising her two sons. Sherre is the Faculty Secretary for Fine Arts/Music and the Department of Social Science and History at the Illinois Mathematics and Science Academy in Aurora, Illinois.



*Christopher, Sherre, Richard, Eric, Amanda, Sandi, Caitlin, Kelly and Samantha Neal.*

Richard Lavon Huffman has dark blond hair and hazel eyes and stands five foot eleven inches tall. He was born 03 April 1946 in Herrin, Williamson County, Illinois, son of Rudolph Lavon Huffman (born 19 April 1926 Christopher, Illinois) and Glyda Irlene Hale (born 07 December 1924 in Harrisburg, Saline County, Illinois). Richard has one sister, Sherry Lynn Huffman (Clay-Kreuger) born 16 March 1949 in Christopher, Illinois. Richard served in the Vietnam War in the Special Forces Green Beret. He studied at the community college in Aurora and worked as a computer systems analyst.

Eric Lavon Huffman was born 30 June 1969 at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Aurora, Kane County, Illinois. Eric married Kelly Ann O'Meara on 01 December 1995. Kelly was born 04 October 1971 at Christ Community Hospital in Oak Lawn, Cook County, Illinois. Their two daughters, Samantha Nicole Huffman (born 12 February 1996) and Caitlin Ashley Huffman (born 25 August 1997) were both born at Edward's Hospital in Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois. Eric is a very talented roofer and did the "Gazebo" in the courtyard at the historic Walter Payton's Roundhouse in Aurora, Illinois.

Christopher James Huffman was born 12 August 1971 at St. Joseph's Mercy Hospital in Aurora, Illinois and died 26 April 1998 in Montgomery, Kane County, Illinois in a house fire. Christopher's soul mate, Sondra Michelle Schulte, and he met on 03 June 1990 and were together until his death. They had one daughter, Amanda Marie Huffman, born 18 November 1995 at Edward's Hospital, Naperville, Illinois. Christopher was a very talented roofer and the historic Walter Payton's Roundhouse in Aurora, Illinois is a tribute to his talent and hard work, as he single-handedly shingled the entire roof. He was the only roofer allowed on the roof because he was the only man who could "not" start a pattern. The roof's design is of multi-colored shingles grouped by percentage of color distribution without creating a pattern. One day as he was working, he was heard shouting, "Oops, I almost made a pattern!" Right below that oops, is his commemorative

brick. He was not a wealthy man but he was rich in love and life. *Submitted by Sherre Lyn Neal.*

## NEAL-STANHOUSE

George Neal Sr. is the first child of James R. Neal and Ida Mae Doolin of Thompsonville, Franklin County, Illinois. James, 21, and Ida, 14, were married on 04 August 1887 in Williamson County, Illinois. Work was scarce and the couple moved to Carmi, Illinois. Children born were: 1) George Sr. (18 March 1891-18 April 1925) married Rachel Emma Stanhouse of Du Quoin; 2) Jeannetta "Jennie" (15 April 1895-07 March 1950) married McKinley Wall; 3) baby Clarence M. (03 July-23 September 1888); 4) baby James R. (01 May 1898). James, the father, died at a very early age. Ida moved back to Thompsonville.

Widow Ida married widower, Commodore Hicks on 18 February 1900 at Greenville, Franklin County, Illinois and from this union came Griffie, Ramos, Eva, and Tessie. George left home at 16 and went to Elgin to work at the state asylum. He sent money home weekly to his mother Ida who was again widowed for the second time with the death of Commodore in 1907. George was an ambitious and astute young man. He put himself through barber school and moved back to Du Quoin. George and Rachel had four children: George Jr., Earl, Phyllis and James.

Three barbers—George Neal, Clark and Walt Jones—rented the corner building on East Main and South Division and operated their barber shop. Then the three bought the building of C. N. Benton on North Division. The Midway Show was in the lower part and the Neal & Barber Supply Company, a barber shop, beauty shop, and a beauty supply shop on the second floor. The three barbers made "Palm-aid" for men's pompadour (hair style). Its consistence was similar to thick vaseline to make hair lay down. The three barbers mixed up the solution, bottled, labeled and sold it in the supply shop.

At the same time, George Sr. also contracted with Carbondale "Peerless Seamless Barbershop Supply." George bought a delivery truck. He collected and delivered towels from individual barber shops all over southern Illinois. The towels were laundered by his brother-in-law, C. E. Edison and wife at the Electric Laundry.

George Sr. was delivering towels with his seven-year-old son George Jr. They stopped to pick up a negro hitchhiker on the Illinois Central Railroad tracks at the little station at Ward, by De Soto. The hitchhiker was looking down the tracks at the fast approaching northern-bound train. He jumped clear. George was trying to get his son out of the car when both were killed suddenly on 18 April 1925 when the train collided with the truck. This was a heartache that his mother Ida always carried. *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. Howard B. Austin)*

## NEAL-STANHOUSE

Rachel Emma Stanhouse, born 25 June 1894 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, died 08 December 1969, is buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery. Rachel, daughter of Walter Stanhouse and Rebecca Yancey, married first George Albert Neal, Sr. on 02 December 1912 in Jacksonville, Morgan County, Illinois and second, Charles A. Davis on 05 October 1933. George Albert Neal Sr. was born 19 March 1891 in Cairo, Alexander County, Illinois and died



18 April 1925 in DeSoto, Illinois as a result of a truck/train accident. He is buried in the IOOF Cemetery. George Albert was the son of Jim Neal and Ida Mae Doolin.

All five children of Rachel Emma and George Albert Neal were born in the same house at 456 East North Street in Du Quoin, Illinois.



*Rachel Emma Stanhouse Neal and George Albert Neal.*

George Albert Neal Jr. (18 December 1916-18 April 1925 DeSoto, Illinois).

Ervin Earl Neal (02 April 1919 Du Quoin, Illinois-20 December 1989) died in Mt. Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois and is buried in Mt. Vernon. Ervin married Mary Elizabeth "Ellen" Vaught 27 June 1945 in California and he was a dentist in Mt. Vernon.

Phyllis Louise Neal (05 January 1926) married William "Bill" T. Lohmar, Sr. 14 June 1945 at Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis, Missouri. William was born on 19 August 1919 in Springfield, Illinois, son of Mary Devlin and Alex Lohmar. Phyllis and William currently live in St. Charles, Missouri.

James Walter Neal (14 April 1924) married first Virginia Irene Boling in Detroit, Michigan on 16 June 1946 and divorced in 1975. They had three daughters: Sherre Lyn, Dona Rae, and Jamie D'Ann. James married second Sharon Ann Cervi on 09 September 1979.

Janet Ida Neal (03 January 1926) married William Hueckel 29 May 1949 in St. Louis, Missouri. William was born 13 June 1905 in Illinois, son of John T. Hueckel and Margaret Anne Marsh. Janet currently lives in Fort Myers, Florida.

George Neal, Sr. along with his son George Neal Jr. were killed by a train 18 April 1925 near DeSoto, Illinois. George Sr. was a businessman and entrepreneur with his barber business and seamless towel service. Josephine Stanhouse-Jones-Edison, George's sister-in-law, had been taking in washing after she became widowed, thus the idea for the seamless towel service and the laundry business. The Du Quoin Laundry was the first electric laundry in the Midwest. George promised to provide towels whenever needed, so as George Sr. and George Jr. were delivering seamless towels to Carbondale, their delivery truck stalled on the tracks at Hallidayboro Crossing. A train was bearing down on them as he tried to restart the car. A Negro hitch-hiker, who had been with them, jumped to safety.

Rachel was a member of the First Baptist Church, Eastern Star Chapter 395, and Du Quoin War Mothers in Du Quoin. She liked sewing and quilting and raised four children as a widow for eight years until she married Charles A. Davis.

## NEHRING-BARTLET

Wilhelmenia Bartlet (1835-1908) was born in Pomeranian, Germany. She came to the United States in 1871 with Emelia (1861-1940), two other children and one boy who died aboard ship. He was wrapped in some kind of cloth or tarp and thrown overboard into the ocean. They supposedly came to St. Louis, then moved to Tamaroa. There she met and married Ferdinand Gross (1842-1881). They had only one child, Emma Louisa Maria, who was baptized at St. Marks Evangelical Reformed Church of DuBois (now St. Marks United Church of Christ) in 1876.

Emelia Bardle (Bartlet) (1861-1940) was born in Stetten-Pomeranian, Germany, and came across to the United States as a small child, ten years old, in 1871, with her mother, Wilhelmenia Bartlet. They settled near Tamaroa. When a young girl she met and married Herman Nehring (1854-1908). He was born in Hardon, Germany. When a young man he left Germany to escape the draft and went to Poland. Then came to the United States. It is believed he went to Wisconsin to cousins there, then to Tamaroa.

Herman Nehring lived east of the Todds Mill area. He was known to be a healer of animals by putting his hand on them and saying something like a spell. He had old books that gave him the words to say. The elders were very serious about keeping the old books secured. They said if you did not understand the books properly, the spell would backfire and something terrible might happen. When Doris Porter (grand daughter) was young, her mother, Anna, told her never to go upstairs at Herman's house because those books were kept up there. After Herman died, Anna burned them in the cook stove. As the books started to burn, the lids blew off the top of the stove and scared her terribly.

There was another interesting story about Herman's barn. It had a doorway that would cause the death of any animal that passed through it. Later, they dug up the doorsill and found a jar with papers buried beneath. After removing the jar, the door no longer caused any harm for animals passing through. No one remembers what happened to the jar of papers. We also do not know if there was any link between the jar of papers and the book of spells. Or it could be that the book was brought over from Germany. We will likely never know. Doris would like to hear from anyone who remembers other details of the above mysteries.

As long as Doris can remember, Herman's wife, Emelia, was crippled in a wheel chair from a lightning strike. They lived at the same house as her uncle, Max. None of the buildings remain today.

The following children were born to Emelia and Herman: Mary Zink (1882-1946), Minnie (1883-1886), Max (1886-1960), Albert (1889-1889), Finnie Azick (1890-1966), Frank (1893-1969), Henry (1896-1963), Clara Yung (1898-1937), Otto (1901-1962) and Alga Roethemeyer (born 1904).

Clara, Otto and Alga were born in Tamaroa, the rest in St. Louis, Missouri. *Submitted by Doris Porter.*

## NEHRING-HUTCHINGS

Arthur A. H. Nehring, the only son of Otto and Anna Jausel Nehring, was born 10 February 1930 at Rice, Illinois. He attended Duncan School and Pinckneyville Community High School,

graduating in 1948. Arthur worked for Wilke Refrigeration in Nashville, Caterpillar Tractor Company in Peoria, and served in the United States Army during the Korean Conflict. In 1957, he started his own business known as Nehring Heating and Electric. In 1960, he started an LP-Gas business, now known as Nehring Gas Company, which son Donald took over in 1980. In 1975, Arthur became Manager of the Illinois Baptist State Camp, Lake Sallateeska, from which position he retired on 01 April 1995. Since his retirement, Arthur has been involved in Illinois Baptist Disaster Relief, Campers on Mission, the American Red Cross, and continues as a member of Concord Baptist Church where he serves as a Deacon. He also serves on the local Emergency Planning Committee and as a Weather Watcher for ESDA.

Mary Lyn Hutchings, the third child of Claude N. Hutchings and Velma A. Miller Hutchings, was born on 23 April 1933 at Rice, Illinois. She attended Duncan School and Pinckneyville Community High School, graduating in 1950. Mary attended Comptometer School in Peoria, and was employed by Caterpillar Tractor Company in 1951. On 12 May 1951 Arthur and Mary were married in Washington, Illinois. To this union were born five children: Alice in 1952, Donald in 1954, Cheryl in 1957, Lori in 1962, and Scott in 1964. They moved to Nashville, Illinois in 1954 then to Rice in 1964 where they now live on Mary's home place. Mary attended Rend Lake Junior College in 1980-81 graduating from the Licensed Practical Nurse Program. She was employed at the Perry Manor Nursing Home as a charge nurse for several years. She is an active member of the Concord Baptist Church. She is also involved with the American Red Cross, Illinois Baptist Disaster Relief, and Campers on Mission. Mary is also a volunteer for Hospice of Southern Illinois.

## NEHRKORN-HAMMACK

Lloyd Eugene "Gene" Nehrkorn was born 08 July 1932 in Todd's Mill, Perry County, Illinois to Christian James and Clara Stella (Gass) Nehrkorn. He attended Cross, Carr and Round Prairie schools. He played on the Round Prairie Baseball team. He liked to hunt and fish. He answered the call to his country in 1952. He served in the United States Army for two years and was discharged as a Corporal in November 1954.



*Gene (Lloyd) and Glenna Nehrkorn.*

Glenna Blanche Hammack was born on 27 March 1933 in Pinckneyville in the Brick school district, Perry County, Illinois to Homer Glenn and Blanche Elizabeth (Keene) Hammack. She grew up on her parents' dairy farm. She attended the Old Brick School and one year in the New Brick



School. She graduated from the Pinckneyville Community High School in 1951. In 1952, Glenna, her brother Lowell Hammack, and Wayne Giacomo enjoyed singing every Sunday afternoon on a rural radio station, W.A.V.A. in Ava, Illinois.

Gene and Glenna were married on 09 September 1953 in the Presbyterian Parsonage, Pinckneyville. They spent their first three months of married life in Lawton, Oklahoma where Gene was stationed. Then Gene was sent to Korea. They spent the rest of their married life in Pinckneyville where they reside today.

Gene worked for Decca Records for ten years and Consolidation Coal Company for twenty-four years. He retired in 1994. Gene and Glenna are active members of the First Christian Church in Pinckneyville where Gene serves as an Elder. They are the parents of three children: Jeanie, Jeff and John, all born in Pinckneyville.

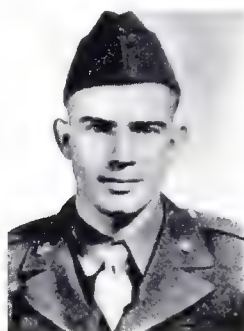
Jeanie Marie Nehr Korn was born 08 November 1955. She married Alan Jenkel on 07 August 1976.

Jeffrey Lynn Nehr Korn was born 31 January 1959. He married and has two children: Casey Lynn born 30 June 1986 and Caleb Joshua born 09 July 1990.

John William Nehr Korn was born 29 July 1960. He married Donita Rae Giacomo. They have three sons: Justin William born 08 March 1984, Jeremy Ray born 10 November 1986, and Jordan Eugene born 12 October 1990. *Submitted by Glenna Hammack Nehr Korn*

## NEHRKORN, PAUL KENNETH

Paul Kenneth Nehr Korn was born on 03 August 1920 in a rural community north of Pinckneyville, Township 5-3, Perry County, Illinois, to Christian James and Clara Stella (Gass) Nehr Korn. Chris and Clara Nehr Korn had eight children: Myrtle (Mrs. Dale McElroy), Paul, Clarabelle (Mrs. Louis Goldman), Wanda (Mrs. Kenneth Miller), Robert, George, Eugene, and Billy.



*Paul Kenneth Nehr Korn.*

Paul's paternal grandparents were Charles and Mary (Williamson) Nehr Korn. His maternal grandparents were Benjamin A. and Martha Jane (Logan) Gass.

Paul attended Cross School. He attended Cross Baptist Church regularly and became a member when he was seventeen. He hunted and fished. He worked on his parents' farm as well as other farms in the area. He had a good sense of humor and was a highly esteemed boy.

Paul was inducted in the United States Army on 03 November 1942. He took his basic training at Camp Robinson, Arkansas and then was sent to Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He was a private in the in-

fantry (PVT 120 INF 30 INF DIV). He was sent overseas in February 1944. On 07 August 1944 he was wounded in action in the Battle of the Bulge in France. He died the next day from his battle wounds. His parents received the dreaded telegram from the war department notifying them of the death of their son.

At the time of his death, Paul was buried in St. Lo, France. It took over four years for his parents to get his body back home. An Army guard accompanied the body, which arrived back home on Saturday, 13 November 1948 on the Illinois Central Railroad. There was an honor guard from Perry County by the body around the clock. The young hero had a military funeral and was buried in the New Concord Cemetery in Rice, Perry County, Illinois where he now lies next to his parents. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke*

## NEVILL-QUILLMAN

Samuel George Nevill (1822) was the third son of Joseph and Polly (?) Nevill who came to Illinois prior to 1850. He had eight brothers and sisters. He married Malinda Quillman in 1849, daughter to John Jacob Quillman and Elizabeth Lipe. Children: Joseph (Sam's son by a previous marriage), George, Mary, Jacob T., Delilah, Samuel, Sarah, David, and William Alexander. After Malinda's death, Samuel and children David, Samuel and Sarah left Perry County for Oklahoma. Samuel Jr. was living in Elk Township, Washita County, Oklahoma in 1900. David was in Greer County, Oklahoma in 1905. (See John Neville history in Volume I.)

William Alexander (1851) married Leah Ellen Godwin, daughter of Cornelius Godwin and Lora Ellen Dry. Children: William Terry (Ellen's son by Hansel Houston Terry), Sarah Jane, John, Lydia, Fred, Dolly and George Logan.

George Logan (1877) married Mary Elnora Taylor, daughter of John Sherley Taylor and Mary Woodsides. Children: Lela (married Orval Huggins), George Loren (married Fay McMillan), Gladys (married Raymond Schaffer), Nolan (married Martha Stewart), Ruth (married Lester Batson), and Elsie Pearl (married Benjamin Holland).

Elsie P. Neville (1902) and Benjamin Holland were married on Christmas Day 1920. They had four sons. Loren and Donald both died as children. Clyde B. (1922) married Alice Canada. Children: C. David (1944) married Jane Duncan. They have one daughter, Lisa Carol. Cynthia (1956) married Lawrence "Larry" May. Harold D. Holland (1932) married Virginia Moye and had one daughter, Lee Ellen Holland. (See Holland-Moye history in Volume I.) *Submitted by Virginia Holland*

## NEVILLE-MASON

Esther A. Neville (1832), daughter of Joseph and Polly (?) Neville. Joseph and Polly came to Perry County, Illinois prior to 1850 from Tennessee. Esther was one of nine children. (See John Neville history in Volume I.)

Esther married John Mason (born in Ireland in 1830) in November 1857. Their children: Malcolm (Johnson) Mason (her son by a previous marriage), Moses, John W., Hester Ann, and Mary "Molly". Their children were: John "Jack", Mary Esther, William, Matthew, Isabelle, and Pearl.

Hester Ann married Joseph Wheatley and had one daughter, Martha. Martha died in childhood.

Mary "Molly" married Edward "Ned" Straugham. Their children were John "Jack", Joseph, Mary Esther, William, Matthew, Henry, Isabelle, and Pearl.

Joseph Straugham married Nell Jones and lived in Michigan. They later moved to California. They had no children. Mary Esther, William, Matthew, and Henry all died in infancy.

Isabelle married Clyde H. Dean and had three children: William E., Clyde Eugene, and Mary Louise. William E. married Lillian Lee and had one daughter, Sharon, who married William Poiter. William and Lillian also had two sons, Michael and Brandon. Clyde Eugene married Martha Waller and three sons: Paul, Robert, and Jimmie. Mary Louise married Billie E. Coleman and had Marilyn, Elizabeth, Dennis, Jeffrey, Terry, Jerry, and Christopher.

Pearl married Henry J. Metzinger (see Metzinger-Straugham-Ogilvie history). *Submitted by Virginia Holland*

## NICKENS-RAIL

Lemuel Nickens, born 15 March 1804 in North Carolina, and died 28 April 1880. Lemuel married Sarah "Sally" Rail 15 February 1826 in Maury County, Tennessee. Sarah "Sally" Rail, born 04 July 1804 in Tennessee, died 13 November 1879. Lemuel and Sarah are buried in the Mulkey Grove Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois.

The children of Lemuel and Sarah are: Hester Nickens, born about 1826, married John Akers about 1841; Roderick Sanders "Sandy" Nickens, born about 1835 in Tennessee, married Susan Francis Leualyn 06 April 1855 in Maury County, Tennessee. Sandy lived in Nashville, Tennessee before moving to Perry County, Illinois; Aley P. Nickens, born about 1834 in Tennessee, married James W. Hill 25 July 1851 in Maury County, Tennessee (James' wife's name is later given as Susannah); Riley Nickens, born about 1836, married Susan Hill 27 December 1856 in Maury County, Tennessee; and Henry H. Nickens, born about 1844, married Elizabeth Humphrey 20 November 1861. Henry was killed early in the Civil War.

Despite what the 1880 census says, all other census records indicate Lemuel was born in North Carolina and his wife was born in Tennessee. Lemuel was listed in Wilson County tax list from 1825 through 1829. He was living in Maury County for the 1830 census, in proximity to his wife's family. At the time of the 1840 census they were in Marshall County, and then were enumerated in Maury County for the 1850, 1860, and 1870 census. They must have moved to Perry County, Illinois between 1870-1873 because Roderick's two youngest children are born in Illinois.

Lemuel and Sarah only had the two daughters, Hester and Aley P. Nickens. It was believed for awhile that a Nickens girl married a Jackson. Unless one later remarried a Jackson, it is unsure how a Nickens girl in this family could marry a Jackson before they moved to Illinois. We now believe that Aley P. Nickens married James W. Hill. We know that Sarah Hill married Andrew Jackson. There is also no record of a marriage of a Nickens and Jackson in Tennessee.

Roderick enlisted in the Union Army February 1864 and was mustered out 20 June 1865. He was a private in F Company 10<sup>th</sup> Infantry. His brother, Henry, fought for the Confederate Army. Much of the Nickens information was provided by Jan Nickens Valdez. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commens and Alda Crowe Fred.*



## OBERTINI-WERTZ

Bortolo "Bert" Obertini was born in the City of Avenone, Providence of Brescia, Italy, on 14 March 1886, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Julio Obertini. Bert came to America in February of 1903 at the age of seventeen years with his brother-in-law, Gabrieli Gabriele. Gabrieli was married to Bert's sister, Amalia. Bert and Amalia's mother died when Bert was two years old and their father passed away after they came to America. Bert could not go back to Italy for the funeral for lack of funds. The rest of Bert's family migrated to Argentina.



*Bert and Anna Obertini.*

Amalia followed Gabrieli to America at a later date. Gabrieli and Amalia settled in Herrin, Illinois, where they both passed away. They had three daughters: Sabina, who is deceased; Mary, who lived in Niles, Illinois; and Amalia, who lives in Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

When Bert reached New York, he, at some time, went to Kentucky where he met his future wife, Anna Wertz. Anna was born in Louisville, Kentucky on 16 July 1893, and was of Belgium, German, and Italian descent. Anna and her mother resided at 725 South Jefferson in Louisville, where her mother ran a hotel/tavern and a bakery. Bert and Anna were married about 1912. They then went to California until around 1914, then moved to Herrin, Illinois. In September of 1929, Bert and Anna and their five children moved to Du Quoin, Illinois, where they spent the rest of their lives. Bert died on 21 February 1980, and Anna died 14 February 1956. Bert and Anna are buried at Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery in Du Quoin.

Bert and Anna's children were Louise, Julia, Julio, August, and Charles. All of Bert and Anna's children stayed in Du Quoin where they raised their children.

Louise was married three times, to: Arthur Loucks (children: Anna Bell, Juanita, Mary, James, Ted and Jack), Pete Gant (children: Raymond, Viola, and Lois), and Andrew Huntly (no children). Julia was married to James "Jock" Janini (children: Margaret—died in infancy, Mary Catherine, and Bernice). Julio was married two times, to: Verda Murray (child: Mary Lou), and Betty Burkett (children: Patricia, James, and Debbie). August was married to Louise Chapman and had one child, Richard August. Charles was married to Hilda Heiman and had one child Charles Jr. Hilda had two children from a previous marriage: Tom and Connie Davison.

## OFFERMAN-SMITH

Betty Ann Smith, born 04 March 1956, is the daughter of Wilfred X. Smith and Rose Mildred (Toman) Smith. She attended and obtained her

associate degree from Southern Illinois University in 1976. She married Garry A. Offerman of Pinckneyville, Illinois on 20 November 1976. They have three daughters: Angela Nicole (born 21 January 1980), Julie Rachelle (born 02 February 1986), and Genna nn (born 10 August 1987). They have lived in Beaumont, Texas since August 1984 where Garry has his law practice, Offerman and Associates.

## O'KEEFE

Jackie Ray O'Keefe was born 26 February 1931 in Du Quoin, Illinois to Doye Lindsay O'Keefe (born 28 August 1901 Sunfield, Illinois; died 20 September 1959 Du Quoin, Illinois) and Thelma Iola Crowe (born 18 April 1911 Vergennes, Illinois; died 14 March 1959 Du Quoin, Illinois).

Jack lived in Du Quoin all his life and married Cuma Bell Funkhouse (born 22 February 1933 Burnt Prairie, Illinois) in Du Quoin on 21 January 1950, the daughter of Edward Funkhouse and Gladys Musgrave. They had three children, Cuma "Gail" (born 14 October 1950), Mickey Ray (born 15 August 1952; died 15 January 1970), and Darla Sue (born 29 December 1958) all born in Du Quoin.



*The Jackie Ray O'Keefe Family: (row 1) Jackie, Carole, Gail, Alan Crews, (row 2) Sarah, Lindsay, Amanda, (row 3) Darla, Marcie, Shawn, Kevin.*

Later Jack married Carole Easton Oare in Mt. Vernon, Illinois on 29 May 1971 and built their home on North Wells Street in Du Quoin, Illinois. Carole had two children, David "Scotty" Oare (born 20 March 1964 Gary, Indiana; died 08 April 1969 Davis Junction, Illinois), and Diana Lyn Oare (born 25 October 1964 Rockford, Illinois). Jack and Carole had a child, Shawn Edward O'Keefe (born 30 May 1973 Pinckneyville).

Jack was well known as a stock car driver and participated in many races in the surrounding area. He worked for the union as a backhoe operator, as a manager of the city landfill for the City of Du Quoin, and for the Du Quoin City Street Department. He also owned O'Keefe's Construction Company. Till he became ill and then worked for his wife's State Farm agency.

Jack had grandchildren: Marcie Hunter (born 23 March 1977), Kevin Crews (born 21 April 1977 Memphis, Tennessee), Amada Suzanne Crews (born 31 December 1979 Du Quoin), Sarah Lynn Hunter (born 02 May 1980 Du Quoin), Lindsey Daniel Hunter (born 21 October 1981 Du Quoin).

Carole has two grandchildren, Isis Leana Gray (born 26 September 1990 Portland, Maine) and Amber Marie Gray (born 27 February 1997 Portland, Maine).

Jack passed away suddenly on 08 November 1992 in Du Quoin. His grandpa was John O'Keefe, great grandfather was Thomas II

O'Keefe and great great grandfather was Thomas O'Keefe Jr. (born 11 February 1824 Ireland; died 07 October 1871) one of the original O'Keefes who left Texas and settled in Sunfield in 1868.

Cuma, Carole, Darla and girls, and Shawn still live in Du Quoin, while Gail and Kevin live in Carmi, Indiana, Amanda in Louisville, Kentucky, and Diane in Sanford, Maine.

## OPP-FISHER

William Opp, the second child of Richard and Mary Angelina (Marlow) Opp (see Marlow-Bridges history) married Katherine "Kate" Fisher on 10 October 1895. William and Kate began their married life in the White Walnut area. They moved to a farm south of Friendship Church of Christ ("Little Vine") southwest of Tamaroa. Eventually they moved into Tamaroa, at one time running the "Flower Farm".



*William Opp and Kate Fisher Opp.*

They had seven children: Grace (born 1896), Wanda (born 1898), Richard (died in infancy), Floyd (born 1903), Arianah (born 1908), Russell (born 1910), and Pauline (born 1912).

Grace married Harley Wilks on 23 September 1914 and lived just west of Friendship church. They had two children: William and Nina. William is married to Pat Morris and lives in Du Quoin. Their children are Janet and Joe Gene. Nina is married to Kenneth Stockton and lives in Tamaroa. Harley died in 1971 and Grace in 1976.

Wanda married Len Miller on 30 July 1913 and lived southwest of Friendship. They had one daughter, Evalyn. Evalyn married Archie Queen and lived in her parents' homeplace. They had four daughters: Brenda, Bonnie, Glenetta, and Mala. Wanda died in 1957 and Len in 1967. Evalyn died in 1996.

Floyd married Gladys House on 08 December 1934 and lived south of Friendship. They had two daughters: Barbara and Bonnie. Barbara married Billy Waller and lived in rural Tamaroa. They have four daughters: Bonita, Beth, Brenda, and Bridget. Bonnie married Monte Franklin and lives in Herrin. They have two children: Laura and Dru. Gladys died in 1977 and Floyd in 1997.

Arianah married Aaron Miller on 13 April 1924 and lived west of Friendship. They have five children: Bertha Faye, Viola, Betty, Aaron Jr., and Richard "Dick". Bertha married Howard Davis and lived in Du Quoin. They have three daughters: Connie, Joellen, and April. Viola married Bob Hitt and lives in the Paradise area of rural Tamaroa. They have four children: Robert, Lila, Steven, and Mark. Betty married Richard Van Hoorebeke and live in Tamaroa. They have two children: Richard Wayne and Alice. Aaron Jr. married Greta and lives in Pennsylvania. They have two children: Susan and Michael. Dick mar-



ried Margie Hampleman and lives in Indiana. They have two children: Carmen and Troy. Aaron died in 1977 and Aariah in 1988.

Russell married Ruth Morrow on 12 December 1936 and lives south of Friendship. They have four sons: Donnie, twins Robert "Bob" and William "Bill", and Gale (born 1960). Donnie married Frances Ripley and lives south of his parents. They have a son, Gene. Bob married Judy Bookstaver and lives east of his parents. They have two children: Gay Lynn and Scott. Bill married Mary Greenwood and lives in rural Mulkeytown. They have two children: James and Lisa. Gale married Julie Miller and lives west of his parents. They have a daughter, Jennifer.

Pauline married Glenn McClurken on 03 June 1933 and lived north of Pinckneyville. They had no children. Glenn died in 1991 and Pauline in 1997.

## OPP-HOUSE

Floyd Opp, son of William and Katherine "Kate" Fisher Opp, was born on 29 January 1903. As a child he lived in the White Walnut area northeast of Pinckneyville. When he was eight, his family moved to a farm south of Friendship Church of Christ, southwest of Tamaroa. Floyd attended school at Upper Arm west of Friendship (now Hazel Farthing's home) and remembers ice skating to school during some bad winters. Growing up, he and his brother Russell enjoyed working and hunting and fishing together.



*Floyd and Gladys Opp.*

Floyd attended church at Friendship, then called "Little Vine". There he met Gladys House, the oldest daughter of Vallie and Lillie (Heape) House. Gladys was born on 13 August 1911. Her parents first lived south of Sunset Memorial Cemetery, then on the Robert Bailey homeplace in 1923, and finally the Heape farm in 1926 (northwest of the junction of Routes 51 and 154). Gladys attended Roots School and graduated from Du Quoin High School. She taught at Matthews School south of Pinckneyville, Roots School south of Tamaroa, and at Upper Arm.

During their courtship, Floyd purchased forty acres south of Friendship, tore down a house in Bush, and from that lumber constructed the house into which they moved when they married on 08 December 1934.

On 08 January 1936, their first child Barbara Ann was born. Eleven years later a second daughter Bonnie Lynn was born on 28 May 1947.

Barbara married Billy Waller, son of Roman and Hazel Waller of Du Quoin, on 08 September 1955. They lived in Louisiana for three years while Bill was in the Air Force. Their first two daughters were born in Louisiana: Bonita on 18 October 1956, and Beth on 20 December 1957.

Bill and Barbara moved back to Perry County in 1958 and their third daughter, Brenda, was born on 05 September 1960 in Du Quoin. A fourth daughter, Bridget, was born 09 February 1965 in Pinckneyville. Bill is a retired truck driver and Barbara teaches at Woodlawn Grade School.

Bonita is married to Mike Tacosik and has two daughters: Amy and Andrea Mathis. Bonita is a registered nurse in charge of Skilled Care Nursing at Pinckneyville Hospital. Beth is an art teacher in Bloomington. Brenda is married to Tom Glodo and has two daughters: Lindsay and Lauren. They run their own business in Pinckneyville. Bridget is married to Chris Poor and has three daughters: Katelyn, Sabry, and Savannah. They live near Murray, Kentucky, where Chris is a doctor.

Bonnie married Monte Franklin (Herrin) on 27 June 1970. They both work in the Herrin school system. Their daughter Laura was born 17 March 1978. A son, Dru, was born on 30 October 1981. Laura is a sophomore at Milligan College in Johnson City, Tennessee. Dru is a sophomore at Herrin High School.

On 20 November 1997 Gladys died unexpectedly at age 66. Floyd continued farming one more year and then retired to gardening. Floyd died on 14 October 1997 at 94. They are both buried in Campbell Cemetery.

## OPP-MARLOW

Richard Opp, the second child of Simon and Mary Opp, was born in 1853 in Illinois. Simon (born 1810) and Mary (1816-1875) were originally from Hanover, Germany. They are buried in the Old Campbell Cemetery. On 04 March 1873 Richard married Mary Angelina Marlow (born 1855), daughter of Samuel I. (1815-1903) and Annie (Bridges) Marlow (1818-1904). (See Marlow-Bridges history in Volume I.)

Richard and Mary lived off White Walnut Road northeast of Pinckneyville. To this marriage were born seven sons and three daughters: Charlie, William (born 1876), Johnnie (born 1879), Bertha (born 1882), Samuel (born 1884), Viola (born 1886), Mattie (born 1889), Robert Sherman (born 1890), Leonard, and Loren. Eventually, Richard and Mary moved to Florida.

Charlie married Emma Miller on 04 September 1898 and later moved to Florida. Their children were Carl, Fermin, and Nina.

William married Katherine "Kate" Fisher on 10 October 1895. Their children were Grace, Wanda, Richard, Floyd, Aariah, Russell, and Pauline.

Johnnie married Bertha "Betty" Vordhreide and had no children.

Bertha "Bert" married George Torley on 10 September 1903 and later moved to Florida. They had no children.

Samuel "Sammy" stayed in Pinckneyville and married Lizzie Lewis on 17 October 1905. Their children were Richard, Gerald, and Paul.

Viola "Ola" married John E. Miller on 16 October 1901. Their children were Marilla, Beulah, Helen, Jewel, Allen, George, Rich, and Buddy.

Mattie married Henry Miller (brother to Charlie's wife Emma) on 24 January 1906. Their children were Jessie, Lee, Dale, and Nina. Eventually, Olie and Mattie settled in Central Illinois in Vandalia.

Sherman married Ethel Robinson on 11 November 1911. They had four children—two boys and two girls.

Leonard married Lettie and moved to Florida. They had two girls.

Loren was married in Florida and had no children.

## ORTON-FARRES

Johnzey (John Z.?) Orton (born 1785 Rowan County, North Carolina) and Susannah Farres came to Perry County in 1832. Johnzey's first wife was Rachel Campbell. On 07 February 1830 he married Susannah Farres in Orange County, Indiana.

Johnzey was the son of a wealthy plantation owner, Joseph Orton, in North Carolina. His mother was Jannet Bryan a niece to Daniel Boone's wife, Rebekah Bryan.

Johnzey had two daughters by his first wife, Rachel. They were: Bexey (born 15 January 1815) who married Frederick Williams on 17 February 1833; and Rachel (born 25 March 1819; died 09 April 1840) who married Samuel McElvain on 11 September 1838. They were both born in Orange County, Indiana. He and Susannah had five children. Their first son Ninian was born in 1832 in Orange County, Indiana. The remaining children were born in Perry County: Emiline (born 1834) who married Marion Tefertiller on 06 February 1853; Minerva (born 1836) who married John House; Malinda (born 20 May 1839; died 10 May 1911) who married Wiley House on 30 March 1854; and Caroline who married Lewis Bridges on 01 January 1849.

Johnzey lived to be 70 years of age and died on 19 February 1855. *Submitted by Michael K. House, 3rd great grandson*

## OWEN-BROWN

William N. Owen was born 22 August 1848 in Norris City, White County, Illinois. He was the son of Joseph Owen born circa 1805 from Virginia and Nancy (Dunham) Owen, born circa 1826 from Tennessee. William N. Owen died on 11 March 1933 in Perry County, Illinois and is buried at Cross Cemetery, east of Pinckneyville.

William Owen married Rachel Caroline Brown, date unknown. His wife used her middle name Caroline. It is believed but not certain that her parents' names were Evan and Elizabeth Brown. Her sister was Susannah A. Brown Hill and was married to Samuel Hill. Children of William and Caroline Owen were: Malinda Elizabeth "Lizzie" born 11 October 1871, Sarah Ann born 05 December 1874, James R. born 24 March 1877, Thomas Marion born 15 November 1879, and Willis Edgar born 02 January 1882. All of the children, except Willis, were born in Norris City. Willis' birthplace is uncertain.

Rachel Caroline, William's wife, was born 12 July 1849, place unknown. She died 08 August 1898 and is buried in Powell Cemetery east of Norris City. There is a saying etched in her tombstone that reads, "A light from our household is gone. A voice we love is stilled."

William Owen married a second time, date unknown. He married Laura Pool Bryant. Laura was a step-daughter of William's daughter Melinda Elizabeth "Lizzie" Owen who married James Frederick Pool. James Pool had Laura by a marriage previous to his marriage to Lizzie. William and Laura had a child, Brian, who died around eleven years old.

The White County 1870 Census lists siblings of William Owen as Sarah (born circa 1851),



James (born circa 1855), Joanna (born circa 1858), and Louisa (born circa 1860).

## OWENS-AHLERS

Nancy Ahlers, born 22 October 1871 in St. Clair County, daughter of Heinrich and Margaretha Prediger Ahlers, was married September 1890 in Perry County, Illinois to George Alfred Owens, born 24 April 1865 in Jackson, Illinois, son of Frances and Melissa Owens. George and Nancy had five children: Thomas, Effie, Henry Elsworth, Allen and Golda. Nancy died 13 August 1928 at Du Quoin, Illinois and George died 17 February 1952 at Du Quoin, Illinois. Both are buried at Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois (see Ahlers-Prediger history).

Thomas, born 03 July 1891, was married 09 March 1916 at Pinckneyville to Eva Hepp, born 06 February 1895 at Pinckneyville, daughter of George and Elizabeth Muller Hepp. They had three children. Thomas died 27 January 1963 (see Owens-Hepp history).

Effie, born 06 May 1893 at Pinckneyville, was married 12 November 1914 at Pinckneyville to William Wild, born 08 October 1891 at Pinckneyville, son of Fred and Eleanore Woll Wild. They had three children (see Wild-Owens history). William died 20 November 1944 and Effie died 17 September 1970.

Henry Elsworth "Worthy" was born 11 April 1895 and died 17 April 1924. He is buried in the Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Allen Owens, born 06 February 1898 in Perry County, was married 06 November 1923 at Salem, Illinois to Lenore Choisser, born 08 December 1899 at Ewing, Illinois, daughter of Thomas and Mary Florence Irvin Choisser. They had three children: Tommy Florence, Jerry, and Jacqueline. They lived in the Gary, Indiana area. Allen died 12 January 1970 at Gary, Indiana and is buried in the Chapel Lawn Memorial Gardens, Schererville, Indiana.

Tommy Florence, born 21 June 1925 at Gary, Indiana, was married 25 April 1955 at Valparaiso, Indiana to Tony Vinovich, born 16 October 1913 in South Chicago, Illinois, son of Nicholas and Sophia Mrvosh Vinovich. They are the parents of one child, Robin Lenore, born 25 November 1956 at Gary, Indiana.

Jerry, born 02 November 1928 at Gary, Indiana, was married 09 July 1955 at Gary, Indiana to Anna Mae Thomas, born 10 December 1928, daughter of Jacob and Anna Isaac Thomas.

Jacqueline, born 26 March 1931 at Gary, Indiana, was married 28 July 1956 at Gary, Indiana to Ted Gielniak, born 21 January 1928 at Gary, Indiana, son of Theodore and Wilma Nagy Gielniak.

Golda Owens, born 21 July 1900, was married 16 December 1929 at Pinckneyville to Clarence Zoller, born 28 December 1903, son of Michael and Lillian Thompson Zoller. They had twin daughters, Geraldine and Bernadine, born 16 January 1933. Clarence died 08 November 1977 at St. Louis, Missouri and is buried in the Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville. Geraldine was married 19 November 1961 to Donald L. Carter, born 28 March 1941, son of Richard and Lillian Hawkins Carter. Donald and Geraldine have four children: Laurie Lynn, born 26 April 1964; John Dale, born 29 January 1966; Marcella Dawn, born 15 December 1971; and Annette, born 18 April 1973.

Bernadine was married 21 June 1958 to Wiley Eugene Gray, born 15 September, son of Wiley August and Emma Gray. Wiley and Bernadine have two children: Polly Ann, born 10 January 1963; and Donald Eugene, born 13 June 1965. In the 1970s they were living in Kankakee, Illinois. Submitted by *Martha Mae Schmidt*.

## OWENS-HEPP

Thomas Owens, born 03 July 1891, the eldest child of George and Nancy Ahlers Owens, was married 09 March 1916 to Eva Hepp, born 06 February 1895, daughter of George and Elizabeth Muller Hepp. They had three children: Golda Marie, Virginia, and Annabelle. Thomas died 27 January 1963 and is buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Du Quoin, Illinois (see Owens-Ahlers history).

Golda Marie, born 08 January 1917 at Pinckneyville, was married 09 February 1942 in Cairo, Illinois to Gene V. Heisler, born 01 April 1915 at Pinckneyville, son of Ernie and Henry Heisler. They had one son, Gene Jr., born 03 January 1943 at Du Quoin, who was married 26 July 1969 at Mt. Vernon, Illinois to Kathy Lee Alexander, born 15 August 1946 at Mt. Vernon, daughter of Raymond and Leigh Alexander. They had two children: Christopher Wade, born 19 October 1972; and Tiffany Ann, born 26 September 1974—both at Houston, Texas. Golda was married second 17 June 1951 at Mt. Vernon to William E. Self, born 16 October 1904 in Saline Parish, Louisiana, son of Thomas and Sarah Ricks Self. They had no children.

Virginia, born 06 October 1918 at Mathews, was married 02 April 1942 at Bastrop, Texas to Thomas E. Schneider, born 19 August 1923 at Vergennes, son of Leo and Helen Eisenhauer Schneider. They had three children: Thomas Ray, Connie Kay, and Roger. Thomas E. died 21 February 1972 at Du Quoin and is buried in the Catholic Cemetery, Du Quoin.

Thomas R., born 06 October 1943 at Murphysboro, was married 25 June 1966 at Du Quoin to Phyllis Hottes, born 27 June 1944 at Du Quoin, daughter of Harold and Verna Hahn Hottes. They had one child, Lee Ellen, born 13 September 1975.

Connie, born 06 October 1943 at Murphysboro, was married 12 June 1965 at Du Quoin to James Lee Kimball Jr., born 26 July 1939 at Charleston, Illinois, son of John and Frances Pendergras Kimball. They had two children: James Lee, born 04 April 1967; and Thomas John, born 02 May 1969. Both were born at Charleston, Illinois. James and Connie are divorced.

Roger, born 02 March 1956 at Du Quoin, was married 02 July 1976 to Marilyn Dowell.

Annabelle, born 27 August 1922 at Du Quoin, Illinois, was married 01 May 1946 at Du Quoin to Robert Eisenhauer, born 01 November 1916 at Vergennes, son of Herman and Mary Endres Eisenhauer. They had two children, Michael and Danny. Robert died 17 August 1970 at Murphysboro as the result of an auto accident and is buried in the Catholic Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois.

Michael, born 19 March 1947 at Murphysboro, was married 21 March 1969 at Pinckneyville to Joyce Mathis, born 18 June 1950 at Du Quoin, daughter of Forrest and Bernice Ladendecker Mathis. They have two daughters, Kristi Michele (born 20 July 1970) and Lori Brooke (born 07 July 1972).

Danny, born 14 August 1948 at Murphysboro, was married 04 April 1970 at Du Quoin to Sherry Lynn Stephens, born 15 May 1952 at Du Quoin, daughter of Russell and Fleta Coffel Stephens. They had one daughter, Dana Marie, born March 1973. Danny and Sherry were divorced and Danny married second Janet Norris. Submitted by *Martha Mae Schmidt*.

## PARMER-WALKENHORST

Patricia Ann Walkenhorst was born 08 May 1939 in Perry County, Illinois, ten miles south of Pinckneyville, at the same location as was her father, Louis John Walkenhorst. Dr. Templeton, a well-known area physician, delivered her as well as her father. Many ancestors paved the way for Pat. Early settlers from foreign lands came to settle and raise their families. Some of these pioneers were named Poignee, Walkenhorst, Foens/Fones, Vorderbrugge and Lively.



Louis and Lorraine Walkenhorst (front center) 1996; Pat and Robert Parmer (center back), Parmer children and grandchildren.

John Poignee, 1848-1924, married Caroline (2) 1854-1931. They were the parents of seven children. He and his first wife had one daughter, Mary Goetz. John and Caroline's daughter, Elizabeth "Lizzie", 1881-1940, married John Thomas Walkenhorst, 1869-1916, on 30 December 1915. John Thomas' father, John Henry, 1829-1915, and his father Henry, 1799-1881, had emigrated from Germany and settled near Mathews, accumulating 200 acres.

John Thomas and Lizzie had one child, Louis John, 28 October 1916. Louis married Lorraine Elizabeth Fones, 26 February 1918, on 11 March 1936. Pat was born 08 May 1939.

Lorraine's parents were Albert George Fones, 1888-1970, and Opal Maude Taylor, 1895-1967. Albert had a twin sister, Mayetta Fones Heine and seven other siblings. Albert and Opal were married 26 December 1913 and had 12 living children. Albert's parents were John Rolf Fones, 1853-1904, and Elizabeth Henrietta Vorderbrugge, 1868-1932. Albert's grandfather, Peter (John A.) Fones, 1818-1893, married Lydia Lively, 1812-1855, and they had four children. John A. was a native of Prussia. He served in the union Army, 13<sup>th</sup> Illinois Calvary. Elizabeth's parents were Henry Vorderbrugge and Charlotte Longcamp and they had six children. Opal's parents were Sara Jane Abbott, 1868-1927, and Lorenzo Taylor, 1855-1922.

Pat attended a one-room school (Walkenhorst); finishing eighth grade at Ozborn; graduating from Pinckneyville High in 1956. On 07 April 1957 she married Robert Lee Parmer, 06 May 1938, from Greenville, Alabama. They are the parents of three children, Pamela Jane, 08



February 1958, Robert Mark, 10 March 1960, and John Daniel, 17 December 1961, and proud grandparents of five grandsons. William Harrison, 03 April 1993, Benjamin Robert, 10 September 1995, and John Mark, 06 January 1998, are the sons of Robert Mark and Donna Swinney Parmer, 01 November 1961. They live in Fayetteville, Arkansas. John Tyler, 03 July 1994, and Blake Alexander, 22 June 1996, are the sons of John Daniel and Vickie Bailey Parmer, 28 February 1963. They live in East Lansing, Michigan. Pam and husband, Robert Cleere, 31 October 1959, live in Huntsville, Alabama.

Pat and Robert have lived near Phil Campbell, Alabama for 26 years. In their early years, Robert was in the United States Navy and they lived in several states across the nation. Robert is in the construction trade and Pat is a secretary at Northwest-Shoals Community College. Pat's parents, Louis and Lorraine Walkenhorst, live nearby, moving to Alabama in 1977.

## PARSELL, JEFFERY ALAN

Jeffery Alan Parsell was born 16 March 1969 at Pinckneyville Hospital, Pinckneyville, Illinois. He was the fourth of five children born to Ronald Lyman and Jo Ann Greer Parsell. Jeffery's maternal grandparents were Russel Joseph Greer, born 07 July 1915, died 13 January 1951, and Carolyn Marie Bahre Greer, born 01 April 1917. Paternal grandparents were Dale Everett Parsell, born 16 April 1908, died 22 May 1995, and Majorie Elnora Buckingham Parsell, born 16 March 1908, died 02 November 1954. Jeffery's much-loved paternal step-grandmother was Dorothy Castanien Parsell, born 03 March 1909.

Jeffery attended the Pinckneyville schools, graduating with honors from high school May 1987. Jeffery introduced his family to computers by helping local farmers until earning enough to buy a computer. Jeffery discovered an interest and talent in foreign language during high school French classes. He enrolled in Language Arts at Rend Lake College feeling some reservations that German was the only foreign language offered. Soon Jeffery found the German language and culture very fascinating. He received an Associate Degree from Rend Lake College and transferred to Southern Illinois University-Carbondale College of Liberal Arts. Jeffery's German fluency progressed enough to earn the coveted Southern Illinois University Hamburg Scholarship, studying one year at Hamburg University, Hamburg, Germany. After earning his Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1993, Jeffery departed for Austria teaching English at two private schools in Lentz, Austria on a one-years sponsorship by the Fulbright Commission. Jeffery returned to studies at Southern Illinois University College of Liberal Arts earning a Masters Degree in 1996.

Jeffery moved to the Seattle, Washington area where he teaches English as a second language at Green River College. He enjoys continued learning of different cultures and languages. During free time, Jeffery enjoys computer exploration, culinary arts and scenic travel.

## PARSELL, KEVIN JAMES

Kevin James Parsell was born 24 October 1972 at Pinckneyville Community Hospital, Pinckneyville, Illinois. He was the fifth child, fourth son, born to Ronald Lyman and Jo Ann Greer Parsell. Kevin's maternal grandparents were

Russel Joseph Greer, born 07 July 1915, died 13 January 1951, and Carolyn Marie Bahre Greer, born 01 April 1917. His paternal grandparents were Dale Everett Parsell, born 16 April 1908, died 22 May 1995, and Marjorie Elnora Buckingham Parsell, born 16 March 1908, died 02 November 1954. His paternal step-grandmother was Dorothy Castanien Parsell.

Kevin attended Pinckneyville District 50 and Pinckneyville Community High School. Kevin developed an interest for mechanics while helping his father. Kevin was very interested in high school shop class. He graduated from high school in 1990 and enrolled in mechanic classes at Rend Lake College. Kevin is a VICA (Vocational Clubs of America) member winning Illinois state competition in Diesel Mechanics two years for high school and one year for junior college.

Kevin worked as diesel technician at Truck Center, Incorporated, Mt. Vernon, Illinois and Effingham Truck Sales, Mt. Vernon, Illinois before moving to West Lafayette to work as an automotive technician. Kevin enjoys computer, hunting, fishing and puttering in the shop.

## PARSELL-GREER

Carolyn Jo Ann Greer and Ronald Lyman Parsell were married at St. Paul United Church of Christ, Pinckneyville, Illinois. They first lived in Gary, Indiana, moved to Pinckneyville in 1965, bought a farm in the Swanwick area in 1968 and moved there in 1970.

Ronald Lyman Parsell was born 11 March 1943 in Kenton, Ohio, the fifth of five children born to Dale Everett and Majorie Elnora Buckingham Parsell. Ron's family owned a farm in Wyandot County, Ohio. Ron attended Marseilles Grade School and Forest High School. Ron operated the family farm for one year before enrolling in Auto-Diesel Courses at Bailey Technical Institute, St. Louis, Missouri. He joined the Teamsters while a mechanic at Gary White Sales and Service, Gary, Indiana. Ron was a mechanic at Consolidated Coal Burning Star #3 coal mine starting June 1966 and was the recording secretary for the UMW local for many years. He worked at Consol #3, #4, and #5 mines earning a 30-year service award. Ron enjoys collecting and restoring Corvairs, scenic travel and computers.

Carolyn Jo Ann Greer was born 20 May 1943 in Du Quoin, the fourth of five children born to Russel Joseph Greer, born 07 July 1915, died 13 January 1951, and Carolyn Marie Bahre Greer, born 01 April 1917. Maternal grandparents were Charles Edward Bahre and Otilie Sophia Keiner Bahre. Paternal grandparents were James Elmer Greer and Aurora Labelle Stanton Greer.

Jo Ann was third generation family to attend the Cudgetown School. Of historic interest, her first and second grade attendance was the last two years of classes at Cudgetown's one-room school. Cudgetown School closed after the 1950-51 session with too few students. Jo Ann's family moved to the Swanwick area August 1951. She attended Swanwick Grade School, Pinckneyville High School, and Deaconess Hospital School of Nursing in St. Louis, Missouri. Jo Ann was an officer in 4-H Federation three years and County Officer of HEA for several years. After several years as a homemaker-mother, Jo Ann completed review-update courses at Rend Lake College and worked as a Registered Nurse at medical facilities in Randolph, Jackson, Washington, and Perry Coun-

ties. Jo Ann enjoys creative design sewing, knitting, crocheting, quilting and fine needle art.

Ron and Jo Ann enjoy Corvairs and membership in the Show-Me-Corvair Club of St. Louis, Missouri. They had five children. Ronald Joseph Parsell was born 04 March 1964. Ronald attended Swanwick Grade School, Pinckneyville Junior High, graduated from Pinckneyville High in 1982, and entered Southern Illinois University School of Technical Careers—Electronics Department. Ronald was a member of the Marching Salukis, treasurer of Phi Eta Sigma honor society and in charge of wheelchair maintenance at Woody Hall. Ronald died in a car crash 29 October 1983 during his sophomore year. A memorial tree graces the southwest lawn of Renn Hall at the Southern Illinois University Carbondale campus.

Marjorie Jo Ann Parsell was born 12 February 1966 at Pinckneyville Hospital (see Maske-Parsell history). Lyman Dale Parsell was born 29 June 1967 at Pinckneyville Hospital (see Parsell-Oslager history). Jeffery Alan Parsell was born 16 March 1969 (see his history). Kevin James Parsell was born 24 October 1972 (see his biography).

## PARSELL-OSLAGER

Lyman Dale Parsell and LaVonda Kay Oslager were married 16 July 1988 in the Ina Free-will Baptist Church in Ina, Illinois.

Lyman Dale Parsell was born 29 June 1967 at Pinckneyville Community Hospital, the third child of Ronald Lyman and Jo Ann Greer Parsell. Lyman's maternal grandparents were Carolyn Marie Bahre Greer and the late Russel Joseph Greer. Paternal grandparents were Dale Everett Parsell and the late Marjorie Buckingham Parsell. A much-loved step-grandmother was Dorothy Castanien Parsell.

Lyman attended Swanwick Grade School for Kindergarten through second grade and the remaining grades at Pinckneyville after those two schools merged. Lyman graduated from Pinckneyville High School in May 1985. Lyman found an interest in mechanics while working with his dad's collection of Corvairs. Lyman's 1966 Corvair school car fascinated his many friends, while car care increased his mechanical interest. Lyman's high school shop class gave an introduction to diesel mechanics. Lyman attended Nashville Auto-Diesel College in Nashville, Tennessee and graduated with high honors in 1986. August 1986 Lyman accepted a job as service technician at Truck Centers, Incorporated in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. He enjoys golf, basketball and restoring Corvairs.

LaVonda Kay Oslager Parsell was born 04 December 1966 in Jefferson Memorial Hospital, Mt. Vernon, Illinois, only daughter of Robert Lee Oslager and Millie Ferne Settle Oslager. LaVonda attended Dodds Grade School in Mt. Vernon and Woodlawn High School. She was on the cheerleader squad for four years at Dodds and four years of cheerleader squad at Woodlawn High. After high school, she took secretarial classes at Rend Lake College. LaVonda spent several years as secretary for the Jefferson County Superintendent of Schools, and was secretary for Kearney Fertilizer in Bonnie. She enjoys sewing, cross-stitch, and decorating their home.

Lyman and LaVonda lived in Mt. Vernon, Illinois after marriage. They bought a home in Spring Garden (a tiny village east of Ina, Illinois)



and moved there in 1991. They have two daughters. Laina Kay Parsell was born 13 December 1990. Laina attends Ina Grade School. Kayla Jolyn Parsell was born 31 May 1994. Kayla attends Pre-kindergarten, sponsored by Jefferson County Superintendent of Schools.

## PATTERSON-RITTER

Evelyn Adeline Ritter was born on 27 August 1916 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois as the third child to William Victor Sylvester Ritter (31 December 1880-February 1976) and Blanche Mae Springs Ritter Williams (10 October 1890-February 1978). She had a sister, Dorothy Ritter Foster Elliott, and two brothers, Charles "Teeter" Ritter and Jim Ritter, of Pinckneyville, Illinois. They operated the Ritter Cleaners in Pinckneyville.



(front) Blanche Williams, (2<sup>nd</sup> row) Dorothy Elliott, Evelyn Patterson, (3<sup>rd</sup> row) Charles and Jim Ritter.

While living in Pinckneyville she was the first runner-up to the Halloween Parade Queen. When Harold Bernie Patterson (09 September 1908-10 October 1962) of Yeddo, Indiana saw her on the float he stated that she was the girl he was going to marry. On 02 December 1932 she married him. They lived in Pinckneyville, Freeburg, and Canton, Illinois, raising a family of four, Janet Kathleen (1934), William Bernie (1937), Harold Gene (1946), and Glee Ann (1949). She was a homemaker and he was a coal miner.

Janet Kathleen Patterson Huff Krohe of Canton, Fulton County, Illinois (04 December 1934), had two sons. John K. Huff of Farmington, Fulton County, Illinois (11 September 1955) married Kim and has three children. Patrick R. Huff of Canton (01 December 1958) married Linda and has one step-daughter, one step-son, and one daughter (she was born on her parents' second anniversary).

William Bernie Patterson of Canton (15 October 1937) married first Sandra and second Lawanda "Pudge", having three daughters. Kim Patterson of Peoria, Illinois was born 17 January 1961. Amy Reynolds of Decatur, Illinois, born 08 May 1964, married Tony. Elizabeth Vogel of Canton, born 26 November 1966, married Jeff and has four children, one step-son, three step-daughters, and ten step-grandchildren.

Harold Gene Patterson, formerly of Canton, now of Fort Collins, Colorado (12 October 1946), married Jean and had two daughters: Julie (06 March 1976) and Lauren (28 June 1979).

Glee Ann Patterson Schroeder, formerly of Canton (25 November 1949), now of Albuquerque, New Mexico, married Bill and had one son, Eric (23 November 1978) and one daughter, Ann (05 November 1982). Glee was named after her paternal grandmother, Glee Noonan.

Evelyn passed away on 28 April 1986 in Canton, Illinois and Harold passed away at a miner's

hospital in Berkley, West Virginia on 10 October 1962. Both were buried at the White Chapel Cemetery in Canton.

## PIERCE-MOORE

David Scott Pierce was born 10 June 1962 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He was the first son born to Scotty and Carolyn (Gillis) Pierce of Du Quoin. He has one sister, Nancy (Pierce) Havens (born 17 May 1961), and two brothers, Jay Michael Pierce (born 14 July 1969) and John Alan Pierce (born 05 October 1970). David attended Du Quoin grade and high schools and graduated 02 June 1980. David's maternal grandfather was Willard Gillis (born 29 March 1916 of Du Quoin/Pasadena, California) and maternal grandmother is Josephine (Provenzano) Gillis (born 02 July 1920 of Du Quoin/Pasadena, California). His paternal grandfather was James Scott Pierce (born 22 June 1917 of Du Quoin) and paternal grandmother was Ruth (Stanley) Pierce Doerr (born 13 March 1920 of Du Quoin). On 10 October 1987, David married Robin Lee Moore at the Paradise Baptist Church. Richard Hester, Greg Malone, Julie Martie, and Jill (Porter) Hester were attendants at the ceremony.



The Pierces 1997—David, Robin, Ian, Whitney, and Devon.

Robin Lee Moore was born 02 February 1962 in Du Quoin, Illinois. She was the only child born to Charles Lowell Moore (born 27 November 1937 of Du Quoin/Tamara) and Sherry (Anderson) Moore (born 16 November 1945 of Tamara/Du Quoin). Robin attended Du Quoin grade and high schools and graduated 02 June 1980 and enjoyed cheerleading during her junior high and high school years. Robin's maternal grandmother is Peggy June Alvis (born 14 April 1926 of Du Quoin/Tamara) and maternal grandfather is Thomas "Dumpy" Anderson (born 04 May 1925 of Riverside, California/Moline, Illinois). Her paternal grandmother is Lola Mae (Ehler) Moore (born 24 March 1910 of Tamara) and paternal grandfather was Claude Lee Moore (born 18 October 1909 of Tamara).

David and Robin met in Mrs. Carol Issac and Mrs. Linda Barr's kindergarten class in 1967 at Lincoln School in Du Quoin. They were also in the same class in first grade (Wheatley School/Mrs. Linda Barr's class 1968-69), second grade (Wheatley School/Mrs. Maxine Johnson's class 1969-70), and eighth grade (Ward School/Mr. George Burson's class 1975-76). They were both members of the Du Quoin High School Class of 1980. After marrying in 1987, they had three children. Their first child, a son, James "Devon" Pierce was born in St. Louis, Missouri on 08 May 1988 (Mother's Day). Devon was born with a birth defect called "spina bifida". Their second child, a

son, Ian Scott Pierce was born in Du Quoin on 15 January 1993. Their third child, a daughter, Whitney Rachel Pierce was born in Carbondale on 28 January 1997. All three children are left-handed like their father, and blue-eyed like their mother. The family resides in the old Bailey/Junior and Maxine Hilt home on Route 51 between Du Quoin and Tamara. *Submitted by Robin Pierce*

## PITCHFORD

Priscilla Pitchford is the daughter of Paul and Marilyn June Adelman Pitchford. She worked at a local insurance office for nineteen years. Priscilla quit her job and within a few days had a nine-to-five job at the Perry County Counseling Center, which she thought she wanted. She found out really fast that this was not her "cup of tea". She had been in the insurance business too long, plus her acquaintances from her previous job all wanted her to get back into the insurance business.

On 01 January 1994, Priscilla opened up her own insurance, license and title office in half of her garage at her house. Priscilla likes being her own boss.

Priscilla also started attending real estate courses at Southern Illinois University in January 1994, as real estate and insurance seems to go hand-in-hand. On 04 May 1994 she became a real estate sales person for Morgan & Morgan Real Estate.

After Priscilla got into the real estate business she decided that she wanted to live in a house instead of a trailer. She looked at several houses, but none was really what she wanted. Then the last of January 1996 the house right beside her trailer came on the market. Priscilla purchased the house on 16 February 1996. There were several things she wanted to do to the house before she moved in. Thank goodness her parents, Paul and Marilyn, were around. They did the work she would have had to hire done. On 10 April 1996, Priscilla's parents came and started moving her into her "new" home. They moved for three full days and half of another day. Nobody to this day knows where Priscilla had everything in her 12 foot by 60 foot mobile home.

On 17 May 1996 the mobile home was sold and moved. Priscilla had mixed feelings about seeing the mobile home leave as that was her first home for thirteen years. In fact, she shed a few tears, but Priscilla realizes that she is so much better off in the house than in the mobile home. Priscilla enjoys her house very much, especially at Christmas time since she is now able to put up seven Christmas trees instead of just barely having room for one.

Priscilla is keeping busy with her insurance, license and title work, and selling houses. In fact, in March 1998, Priscilla passed her test and she is now a broker in real estate. She works several hours a week, but now it is for herself. Priscilla enjoys what she is doing very much.

## PITCHFORD-ADELMAN

Since the last Perry County Historical Book there has been a few changes in the Pitchford family.

Paul and Marilyn (nee Adelman) Pitchford were busy enjoying their retirement by running to flea markets looking for antique clocks and other fine collectibles. Plus enjoying just traveling.

But that soon ended on 03 July 1989 when Paul's mother, Anne Elizabeth Pitchford, was di-



agnosed with cancer. Ann had to have several treatments from August until October, which meant several trips to Carbondale. Then on 07 December 1989 Ann was admitted to the Pinckneyville Hospital. She was a patient in the hospital until 17 December 1989 at which time she was transferred to Pinckneyville Skilled Care since she was not able to take care of herself.

Paul Jr. and Marilyn were taking care of both their house and Paul's mother's home. They were trying to keep both of them going. Then one day they decided it was time for them to sell one of the houses. Paul and Marilyn had a big decision to make—which home to keep and which to sell. Since Paul's mother's home had been in the family so long Priscilla thought they should keep it. So this is what they decided to do.

In the spring of 1991 Paul and Marilyn put their house on the market. The day the big earthquake was supposed to hit Southern Illinois, 06 December 1991, the phone call came and the real estate office had a buyer for their house. Needless to say, there was no Christmas tree up that Christmas as they had until 04 February 1992 to get all 32 years of their treasures moved from their house to their "new" home.

They moved from their house to Paul's mother's house, which was only half a mile away, the whole month of January 1992. In the meantime Paul had already started remodeling his mother's house before their house was sold. Paul had the bedroom, living room, and dining room done, but not the kitchen, bath or family room. But they ran out of time so they proceeded to move anyway.

The final paper work was signed on their "old" house on 04 February 1992 and they were all moved into their "new" home. It was really a big adjustment as they went from a four bedroom, living room, two kitchens, family room, and a full basement to a one bedroom, living room, dining room, family room, one kitchen, and no basement. They sold a lot of items, and stored a lot of items in the bus shed. Thank goodness they had the bus shed to fall back on.

On 02 April 1992 Paul Jr. lost his mother, Anne Elizabeth Zoeckler Pitchford. Anna was buried on 07 April 1992 at the Tamaroa Town Cemetery next to Paul Jr.'s father, Paul Arthur Pitchford who had passed away on 25 July 1982.

Paul and Marilyn finished remodeling the house both inside and out in 1993, in fact the house really does not look the same. They feel that Paul's mother would be quite proud of the house.

Paul and Marilyn have now gotten into rental property in Du Quoin and they currently have several houses they rent out. It seems like there is always something that needs to be done on one of them.

In their spare time, which they hardly ever have time for, Paul and Marilyn enjoy going to Elko, Nevada and to the riverboats. They also keep busy with their new addition to the family. Paul and Marilyn have a two-year-old cat, named Stormy, which is spoiled rotten. Paul and Marilyn also do a lot of secretarial work at their daughter's, Priscilla's, office in Du Quoin.

## PITCHFORD-ZOECKLER

Since the last Perry County Historical Book there have been a few things happened in the Pitchford family.

On 10 May 1989, Anne Elizabeth (Zoeckler) Pitchford was pleasantly surprised with a 80<sup>th</sup>

birthday party given by her son, Paul Jr., daughter-in-law, Marilyn, and grand daughter, Priscilla. This was the first surprise birthday party Ann had ever had. When all of her family and friends started arriving at the bus shed across the road from her house, she did not know what to say. Ann could not believe that they had pulled this off without her knowing what was going on.

Shortly after her birthday, Ann started feeling bad. Then on 03 July 1989, she was diagnosed with cancer. Ann had several treatments from August until October and then on 07 December 1989 Ann was admitted to the Pinckneyville Hospital. She was a patient in the hospital until 17 December 1989, at which time she was then transferred to Pinckneyville Skilled Care since she was too weak to walk and take care of herself.

Ann's son and daughter-in-law, Paul Jr. and Marilyn were taking care of both her home place and their house, which was a lot of work and worry. Then one day they decided it was time for them to sell one of the houses. Paul and Marilyn had a big decision to make which one to keep and which one to sell. Since Paul's mother's home had been in the family so long, Priscilla thought they should keep it. So this is what they decided to do.

Paul and Marilyn put their house on the market and their house was sold on 04 February 1992 and they moved into Paul's mother's old home place. Paul and Marilyn remodeled the house from top to bottom. Ann would be so proud of the house now. Paul and Marilyn even put in bigger kitchen windows since Ann always enjoyed looking out of them.

On 04 April 1992, Paul Jr. lost his mother, Anne Elizabeth Pitchford, at the Pinckneyville Community Hospital. Ann was buried on 07 April 1992 at the Tamaroa Town Cemetery next to Paul Jr.'s father, Paul Arthur Pitchford, who passed away on 25 July 1982.

Paul and Marilyn are still living in the old home place. No body recognizes it due to the remodeling. Paul and Marilyn still have some chickens just like Ann used to have. They keep busy with the house, the yard, and the garden.

## POLING-DUFFIELD

Mark Eugene Poling was born 19 September 1964 in Wood River, Illinois, Wood River Hospital. Mark is the son of Dwayne and Naomi Commean Poling, who were from Du Quoin, Illinois. Mark married Susan Marie Duffield 05 April 1986 in Houston, Texas at the First Methodist Church, daughter of Richard Duffield and Winnifred. Susan was born 20 February 1961 in Chicago, Illinois.



Mark, Susan, Sandra, Robert and Michael Poling.

Children of Mark Poling and Susan Duffield are: Sandra Lynn Poling, born 01 September 1981

in Galveston, Texas; twin boys, Robert Wayne and Michael Alan Poling, born 25 April 1991 in Houston, Texas in Memorial General Hospital.

Mark, Susan and children live in Houston, Texas.

## POLING-GRIELICH

David Wayne Poling was born 07 May 1958 in Wood River, Illinois at Wood River Hospital. David is the son of Dwayne and Naomi Commean Poling, who were from Du Quoin, Illinois. David married Amy Jean Griulich 26 May 1980 in Jackson, California, daughter of Vernon and Vivian DeMille Griulich. Amy was born on 13 October 1958 in Plymouth, California.



David, Amy, Samantha, and Michelle Poling.

Children of David Poling and Amy Griulich are: Samantha Marie Poling, born 04 April 1992 in Stockton, California; and Michelle Eda Poling, born 26 July 1994 in Jackson, California.

David, Amy and children reside in Vacaville, Amador County, California.

## POLING-HOUSE

Raymond Dale Poling was born 18 June 1935 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, son of Carl Edwin Poling and Ella Evangeline Spohn. He married Karla House 25 November 1961 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, at the First Baptist Church, daughter of Winthrop House and Edna Reeves.

Children of Raymond Poling and Karla House are: Shelly Lynn Poling, born 11 February 1966; and Susan Poling, born 14 September 1972; both were born in Streator, LaSalle County, Illinois at St. Mary's Hospital.

Shelly Lynn Poling married Thomas Cinnamon 28 September 1991 at the First United Methodist Church in Streator, Illinois.

Joshua Raymond Cinnamon, born 21 June 1996 at Edward Hospital, Naperville, DuPage County, Illinois, is the son of Shelly Poling and Thomas Cinnamon.

## POLING-LOGAN

Marvin Everett Poling was born 03 October 1936 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, son of Carl Edwin Poling and Ella Evangeline Spohn. He married Ema Jean Logan in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois at the Holts Prairie Baptist Church. Ema Jean is the daughter of Wilbur Logan and Halean Hutchings.

Philip Kent Poling, born 10 November 1960 in Du Quoin, Illinois at Marshall Browning Hospital, is the son of Marvin Poling and Ema Jean Logan.

Philip Kent Poling married first Jill Marler. He married second Jane Sue Farley 13 February



1993 in Pinckneyville at the Holts Prairie Baptist Church.

The children of Philip Poling and Jill Marler are: Eric Scott Poling, born 29 June 1980; and Wesley Lewis Poling, born 09 May 1985. Both were born in Du Quoin, Illinois at Marshall Browning Hospital.

## POLING-MC CLELLAN

Carl Edwin Poling Jr. was born 16 October 1925 in Cuba, Fulton County, Illinois, son of Carl Edwin Poling and Ella Evangeline Spohn. He married Ruth Margaret McClellan 26 December 1948 in Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas, daughter of Conway McClellan and Margaret Potter-Hatton.

Children of Carl Jr. and Ruth McClellan are: Patricia "Patti" Sue Poling, born 27 August 1950 in Wichita Falls, Wichita County, Texas; Margaret Ruth "Peggy" Poling, born 07 September 1953 in Houston, Harris County, Texas, married Larry Cohoon 28 October 1995; and Constance "Connie" Rae Poling, born 21 March 1958 in Houston, Harris County, Texas.

Patti Poling married Harry Dickson Hopson 23 August 1975 in Houston, Texas.

Children of Patti and Harry are: Meredith Hatton Hopson, born 16 August 1979 in Houston, Texas; and Shaun Elizabeth Hopson, born 29 March 1982 in Houston, Texas.

Connie Poling married Drew "Sandy" Alan Campbell 05 November 1983 in Dallas, Texas, son of Richard Campbell and Ruth Haley.

Children of Connie and Sandy are: Tully McClellan Campbell, born 19 April 1993 in Dallas, Texas; and Kyle Haley Campbell, born 01 October 1996 in Dallas, Texas.

## POLING-SPOHN

Carl Edwin Poling, Sr. was born 26 January 1900 in Perry County, Ohio and died 07 October 1963 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. He married Ella Evangeline Spohn.

Children of Carl Poling and Ella Spohn are: Carl Edwin Poling Jr., born 16 October 1925 in Cuba, Fulton County, Illinois; Dwayne Eugene Poling, born 24 May 1927 in Cuba, Fulton County, Illinois; Nila Louise Poling, born 23 April 1933 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; Raymond Dale Poling, born 18 June 1935 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; and Marvin Everett Poling, born 03 October 1936 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

The parents of Carl Edwin Poling, Sr. were Simeon Poling and Mary Emaline Ashbaugh. Simeon Poling died 1934 in Perry County, Ohio and is buried in Friendship Cemetery, Junction City, Ohio. He was the son of Jonas Poling and Susan Barnes. He married Mary Emaline Ashbaugh, daughter of Henry Ashbaugh and Sarah Gardner.

Children of Simeon Poling and Mary Ashbaugh were: Carl Edwin Poling, Sr., born 26 January 1900 in Perry County, Ohio, and died 07 October 1963 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois; Frank Poling; Estelle Poling; and Lloyd Poling.

## POLING-TOWEY

Gary Alan Poling was born 02 March 1952 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois at Marshall Browning Hospital and died 17 May 1995 in Sparta, Randolph County, Illinois. Gary was the

son of Dwayne and Naomi Commean Poling who were from Du Quoin, Illinois. He married Patrice Kay "Pati" Towey 19 January 1974 in Wood River, Illinois, daughter of Charles Towey and Patricia McVey.



*Gary Poling and Pati Towey Poling with Cari Lynn, Heather, and Nicole (baby).*

Children of Gary Poling and Patrice Towey are: Cari Lynn Poling, born 03 November 1975 in Wood River, Illinois; Heather Katherine Poling, born 09 March 1979 in Sparta, Randolph County, Illinois; and Nicole Ann "Nicki" Poling, born 03 June 1985 in Sparta, Illinois.

Pati and daughters are living in Sparta, Illinois.

## PONTBRIAND-EISENHAUER

John Paul Pontbriand was born in Montreal, Quebec, Canada on 04 March 1948 to Marguerite Lamoureux and Guy Pontbriand. He grew up in Deux Montagne, Quebec. His siblings are Pierre, Louise, Richard and Suzanne.



*The Pontbriands—Patti, John, Mike, Geoff.*

After high school graduation John and a friend traveled to California and John decided he like Escondido enough to make it his home. He met and married Patricia Lynn Eisenhauer on 07 September 1972 in Ramona, California. She was born 17 September 1951 to Lewis and Catherine Eisenhauer of Pinckneyville, Illinois. Patti went to St. Bruno Catholic School and then to Pinckneyville High School. After graduation she worked as a secretary until she took a bus to California to visit a friend. She decided to remain in California and met John. They were married and owned their own business, J's Mobilehome Service. Their first son, Geoffrey Lewis Pontbriand, named after his grandfather, was born 28 September 1973 at Palomar Hospital in Escondido, California. Four years later his younger brother, Michael Joseph Pontbriand, was born 28 September 1977. They also share their birthday with their aunt, Pam Morgenthaler, and her daughter, Tina Renee Pabst. All four were born on 28 September. The Pontbriands bought a home

at 443 Monique Way, Escondido, California in 1979 and seventeen and one-half acres in Valley Center that they hope to build their new home on. Geoffrey is employed by Circuit City as assistant manager for stereo installation. Michael works part-time for Pizza Hut and goes to Palomar College. The Pontbriands just celebrated their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary in September.

## PROCK-KEEN

James Prock and Jane Keen were born in Tennessee. They were married circa 1842/1843 in Macon County, Tennessee.

James Prock was of German ancestry. Jane Keen was of Irish ancestry. She was small in stature with dark brown eyes. She was good at farming and natural medicine, which she practiced all her life. She helped the slaves and the Indians. Her family knew Daniel Boone.

James and Jane had at least seven children born to them. The names of those known are: Henry, born in Tennessee and was a Civil War soldier in Company E, 6<sup>th</sup> Regiment Volunteer Cavalry; Andrew, born in Tennessee; Nancy, born in Tennessee; Rebecca, born in 1853 in Perry County, Illinois; John Grover, born 25 December 1859 in Linn County, Kansas; and Emma Jane, born 11 August 1862 in Linn County, Kansas.

Sometime between 1851 and 1859 the Prock family lived in Perry County, Illinois. Their daughter, Rebecca, was born there in 1853. James Prock purchased forty acres of Federal land on 06 December 1854 in Perry County, Illinois. James and Jane sold this land to J. C. Keen on 14 January 1858. John C. Keen was Jane's older brother. James and Jane Prock and their family moved to Linn County, Kansas circa 1858-1859.

John C. Keen, Jane Keen Prock's older brother, was born in 1827 in Gallatin, Tennessee. He married Nancy Burdine Smith on 21 November 1850 in Perry County, Illinois. Nancy was born 03 January 1834 in Kentucky and died September 1889 in Perry County, Illinois. John C. Keen was a soldier in Company D 110<sup>th</sup> Infantry of the Civil War. He died May 1917. Children born to John and Nancy Keen were Mary, Elizabeth, Thomas, John, William, Frances, Klemintine, Benjamin, Malachi, and Charles.

Nancy Keen, Jane Keen Prock's older sister, married Samuel Carmack in Perry County, Illinois on 15 June 1846. Nancy was born 20 February 1827 in Tennessee. Children born to Samuel and Nancy were Thomas, William, George, Isaac, John, and Melviny. Nancy Keen Carmack died of illness on 16 January 1870 in Linn County, Kansas. Samuel Carmack died 06 June 1875 in Linn County, Kansas.

John Prock died after the family moved to Linn County, Kansas. He is buried there. Jane and her remaining family eventually moved to El Paso County, Colorado circa 1877. They traveled by wagon train in a covered wagon drawn by a team of oxen. They had their flock of chickens for eggs, and a cow for milk, in tow. They tried to guard against Indian attacks the entire journey. Once reaching Colorado, Jane homesteaded the land herself, along with the help of her son, John, and daughter, Emma.

Jane's son, John Prock, died 1891 as a result of injuries suffered while breaking a wild horse. He is buried in the Spring Valley Cemetery.



Jane married and outlived her other husbands. She died in 1913. She is buried in the Spring Valley Cemetery in Douglas County, Colorado. *Submitted by Debby Edwards*

## PROVART

Philip Cockle Coyett Provart was born 03 September 1818 in Suffolk, England. He was the fifth child, third son of Philip Provart and Mary Ann Cockle. The older siblings were Charles (1813-November 1813), Charles Cockle (1814), Caroline Cockle (1816), Elizabeth Moss (1817), Philip Cockle Coyett (1818-1890), George Cockle (1823), Louisa Cockle (1824). Philip's great grandparents were Philip Provart (1712-1792) and Sarah Pegget/Pigott (1730-1802). Philip's grandfather was Philip Provart (1757).

Philip left England 10 January 1837 for America aboard the ship "President". He signed on as a chemist arriving in New York 20 March 1837. He applied for naturalization in Perry County, Illinois in 1853.

Philip married Harriet Jones January 1839 in Paradise Prairie, Perry County. Harriet is the daughter of Thomas Mitchel Jones, Sr., born August 1823 and died 17 August 1840, after giving birth to a stillborn infant. These two are buried together. Philip married three more times, and lost the next two wives in early death.

The second marriage 17 December 1840 was to Missouri Haggard, daughter of John Smith Haggard and Sarah Smith. Missouri was born 15 August 1822 in Bedford County, Tennessee and died 15 August 1856 in Paradise Prairie, Illinois. She is buried at Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. Eight children were born to this union.

Josiah Wells (23 July 1842-16 February 1915) (see Provart-Martin history).

Zephaniah Robert (25 January 1844-December 1920). He served as a private in Company A, 81<sup>st</sup> infantry, volunteer in the Civil War. He married Mary Frances Jones 05 November 1865. Zephaniah, Mary and brother, Azariah Provart moved to Jasper County, Missouri where sons Avery (1873-1876) and Cyrus (03 March 1875-17 October 1877) were born. Ira McPherson was born in Perry County, Illinois (17 August 1883-09 April 1937).

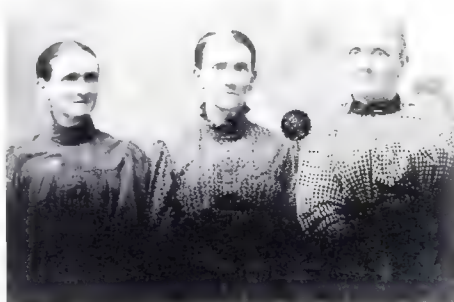
Azariah (17 April 1845-10 October 1923) served in the 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry, Company A, along with brother Zephaniah. He married Malita Alvarine Jones 25 September 1866. While in Missouri they had Laura Sarah (17 April 1870), James Philip (15 December 1871-1907) and John Sidney (21 February 1874-01 October 1951). Malita died 1877 in Illinois. Azariah married second Isabel Charlotte Thompson 10 February 1878 and she died in childbirth in 1880. He married third Mary Margaret Reeves 20 August 1881. They had Helen (1882), Herschel (1884-1937), Roscoe (1887-1964), Dwight (1894-1980) and Grace (1896-1990).

Mary Ann (17 January 1847-01 September 1849).

Sarah Malissa (20 April 1849-30 August 1933) married Thomas Irvin Martin 20 July 1865. Children were Ruth Ann Cockrum (1866-1951) and Philip Lee Martin (1870-1943).

Delilah (10 April 1851-15 February 1941) married Johnson Cook 13 November 1867. Their children were Marion William (1873-1948), Charles (1875), Delila (1878-1878), Louis (1879-1948) and Benjamin (1882-1912). Johnson died

in 1887, and Delilah married second George Washington Harris 30 November 1887. After his death in 1914, she married Daniel Pierce in 1916.



*Daughters of Philip & Missouri Haggard Provart (left to right): Emily (Harris), Delilah (Cook)(Harris)(Pierce) and Sarah (Martin).*

Emily (02 August 1853-24 February 1938) married John Pierce Harris 07 September 1871. Children were Emma Arlusa (1874-1885), Charles Marion (1878-1972), Louis Potter (1880-1959), Minerva Brown (1882), Carol Tolbert (1883-1961), Lula Ann Foster (1885), Eli Jackson (1888-1951), Maude Gertrude Whitlock/Webb (1890-1966) and James Cornelius (1893-1970).

Charles William (06 December 1855-08 January 1931) married Mary Thornton 10 September 1878, and had William Clarence (1879-1909), Myrtle (1880-1880), Lula Catherine Webb (1882-1906), Daisy Pierce (1885-1978) and Jennie Webb (1887-1907). Charles married second Elizabeth Manis 10 January 1889 and they had Leo Paul (1892-1949) and Elizabeth died in childbirth in 1893. He married her sister, Emma Florence Manis, 22 October 1893. They had Bertie Manis (1894-1951), Beulah Maria Palmer (1901-1970), Bessie Myran Lee (1902-1981), female B. M. (1903-1904), Bernie McCary (1904-1906), Bertha Missouri Britton (1905-1994) and Bernis (1911-1994).

Philip married third Catharine Robinson 26 September 1856 (see Provart-Robinson history). *Submitted by Doris Provart Gower*

## PROVART-KRONE

Orlie Ayer Provart was born 26 March 1896 to Hosea Philip and Missouri Elizabeth (Cockrum) Provart, the third of four children. His brothers and sister were Harry Coyette, Bessie Pearl (Claude) Hitt, and Charles Raymond. Hosea was the son of Philip Cockle Coyette (1819-1890) and Catherine Robinson Provart of Paradise Prairie and Missouri was the daughter of the George Cockrums of rural Franklin County. Orlie was educated at Elm School and Du Quoin Township High School until he left school to help in the spring farming season.

Selma Marie Krone was born to Charles and Marie (Daubendieck) Krone, who emigrated from Westphalia, Germany to Paradise Prairie in 1893. With them were Charles' brother William and Marie's mother and four brothers, William, Charles, Henry and Frank. The four brothers settled in St. Louis where they opened a grocery business and bakery. Selma Marie Krone was born 24 December 1893. She was one of ten children, seven of whom lived to maturity: Anna (George) Keiner, Henry (Elsa) Krone, Martha (Fred) Fleer, Selma Marie, Emma (Everett) Thompson, Walter (Jessie) Krone, and Frieda (Herman) Linze. She

was educated in Benton Road School, graduating with a scholarship to either college or high school. She attended Du Quoin Township High School two years.

Orlie and Marie were married early in 1918 and shortly afterward Orlie was called into the Army and posted to France, where he served until after the end of World War I. His term of service ended in spring 1919 and he returned to meet his first son, Victor Orlie and to resume his occupation of farming. Their family grew with the births of Harold Dean in 1926, Marilyn Elizabeth in 1929, and Phyllis Ray in 1934.



*Orlie and Marie Provart.*

In 1934, Orlie was appointed Perry County Superintendent of Highways after meeting requirements for the post by examination. This was a position that he filled for a total of 23 years, interrupted only by World War II when road construction was halted by lack of manpower and materials. During these years he operated the Pinckneyville Home Lumber Company.

Marie was a farm housewife, giving much attention to child rearing, gardening, raising turkeys, chickens and other farm animals. She was interested in quilting and belonged to the Stitch 'n Chatter Club of Paradise Prairie and Home Bureau for many years.

In 1956 Orlie and Marie moved from their farm and lived the remainder of their years in Pinckneyville. Orlie's death on 10 November 1970 followed several years of declining health. Marie enjoyed good health until near the end of her life on 24 September 1983, just three months short of the age of 90. She left her four children, "Vic" of Pinckneyville and his wife Virginia (Lee); Harold and his wife "Pat" (Worthen); Marilyn Newby and her husband Richard; and Phyllis Armstrong and her husband Norman, twelve grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren. *Submitted by Dr. Marilyn Provart Newby.*

## PROVART-MARTIN

Josiah Wells Provart was born 23 July 1842 and died 16 February 1915. He was born about three miles east of Du Quoin in a log house, later known as the Keiner place. He was possibly named for his mother's Uncle Josiah Joseph Smith, and brother Zephaniah was named for the husband of their Aunt Rebecca (Smith) Roberts, Zephaniah Roberts. Josiah is buried in the Paradise Baptist Church Cemetery.

Elizabeth Cherry (1840-1863) and Josiah were married 08 October 1861. They had one child, Zephaniah (19 November 1862-20 July 1872). Elizabeth died five months after the birth of Zephaniah.

Josiah married 08 October 1863, Martha Jane Martin, daughter of Lee Cryer Martin and Menerva



Dare, born 04 March 1842 in Sesser, Illinois and died 27 June 1939. They had five children.

Minerva Missouri (30 December 1865-27 June 1939) married William Charles Keller 25 December 1889. There were four children: Arthur (28 October 1890-02 February 1986), Roy (19 September 1892-30 January 1974), Fred Gilbert (30 September 1899) and Louis Dyer (28 September 1902-18 April 1981).



*Josiah Wells and Martha Jane (Martin) Provart circa 1890.*

Louis Dyer (20 January 1868-14 January 1921) married Ora Olive Jeffers 03 March 1889, daughter of Berry Austin and Martha (Jones) Jeffers. Ollie was born 01 March 1870 and died 25 October 1957. Dyer and Olive are both buried in the IOOF Cemetery at Du Quoin along with two of their children, Nellie and Lyle. Their children were: Bertha Edith Eddleman (19 March 1890-13 January 1985), Nellie Blanche (30 April 1895-26 March 1924), Mable Lucienne Bierk (16 May 1900-26 December 1980) and Lyle Dean (22 August 1903-12 March 1984).

Mary Delilah (04 February 1872-07 May 1891)

Dora B. (03 August 1875-18 May 1901)

Alta May (12 May 1879-23 January 1967) married William Logan Inabnit 18 February 1900, son of Joseph and Sophia (Bullock) Inabnit (02 August 1875-31 August 1957). Alta and William's children were: Theodore (06 February 1902-05 September 1971), Cecil (23 December 1905-22 November 1967), Grace Haner/Smith (November 1907), Edward (08 November 1910-25 April 1990), Tom (31 January 1913), Golda Grob/Stockton (13 August 1990) and Hazel Belle Lewis (07 February 1922).

It has been told that after Josiah's death, Martha continued on with her work as midwife. Neighbors told that she would get on her horse and go where she was needed to help deliver a baby or help a sick friend. She was always ready to help whenever she could. Both Martha and Josiah are buried in the Paradise Baptist Church Cemetery. *Submitted by Doris Provart Gower*

## PROVART-ROBERTSON

Philip Cockle Coyett Provart married a third time, soon after the death of Missouri Haggard, to Catharine Robinson (06 April 1837-13 June 1884) on 26 September 1856. Catharine had been an indentured servant in the Provart household since the age of eight. Catharine had nine children.

Ephraim Columbus (26 December 1856-30 December 1924) married first Elizabeth Matilda Isabella Keller 21 February 1878. She is the daughter of Robert C. F. Keller and Eleanor Bramlet. They had a daughter, Helena Brock (1879-1900). Elizabeth died about 1881, and

Ephraim married second Mary Louisa Dunn, daughter of William and Susan (Gill) Dunn, 01 November 1882. They had Theodore, June (1888-1889), Susan Beatrice Barnett (November 1890). Mary died 17 November 1901 and Ephraim married third Harriet Fulton 17 October 1906.

Mary Adaline (03 June 1859-15 October 1860)

Jemima Elizabeth (18 January 1862-31 May 1920) married Joseph Dunn 22 November 1882. Their children were: Kittia Polley (1886), Alice Thomas (1890), Grace Brayfield (1894), Lillie Green (1897), Harry (1899), and Ruby Sanders (1903).



*Sons of Philip Provart (left to right): Josiah Wells, Zephaniah Robert, Azariah, Charles William, Ephraim Columbus, Hosea Philip, Edgar, George Walter—circa 1890.*

Alice (04 April 1864-20 February 1866)

Lilly Bell (December 1867-04 September 1917) married Andrew Jackson Hill 25 December 1887. They had Margaret, Lillian Belle Crow (1898-1973), Philip (1906-1984), Joe and George.

Hosea Philip (06 March 1869-12 February 1931) married Missouri Elizabeth Cockrum 05 March 1890. Their children were Harry Coyett (1891-1971), Pearl Hitt (1893-1972), Orlie Ayer (1896-1970) and Charles Raymond (1899-1972).

Edgar (09 June 1871-19 January 1959) married Eva Austin Jeffers 14 September 1890. Eva is the daughter of Berry Austin and Martha (Jones) Jeffers. Eva's older sister, Ora Olive Jeffers, married Louis Dyer Provart, and her youngest sister, Mary Ethel Jeffers, married William Richard Hayes. Their children are Earl Austin (1891), Lela Martha Hitt (1896-1989) and Charles.

George Walter (09 January 1874-09 January 1951) married Martha Rosella Jones 12 February 1893, daughter of Samuel A. and Manerva Chloe (Murden) Jones. Their children were Guy Arnold (1894-1962), Philip Allen (1904-1979) and Merrill Eugene (1913-1958).

Ora Ann (10 July 1878-12 June 1953) married Snider B. Ward 03 September 1903 and had Elizabeth Turner (1907-1986).

After Catharine's death, Philip married fourth, Elizabeth Graham 08 May 1888. Elizabeth was the daughter of James and Sarah (Evans/Reddick) Graham. Daughter Hazel Catherine was born 21 March 1889 and married Neil McMillan 28 August 1913, and she died 04 May 1976 in Portland, Oregon.

Philip Cockle Coyett Provart died 03 July 1890, leaving his widow, Elizabeth, and 15 children, 27 grandchildren, and one great grandchild Bertha Edith Provart Eddleman. *Submitted by Doris Provart Gower*

## PURCELL

William Washington Purcell was born 07 December 1827, Sevier County, Tennessee, died 18 November 1914. He married Mariah Lane, born in Illinois 10 December 1833, daughter of Bennett and Mary Lane. She died 03 November 1914 in Mulkeytown, Illinois, both are buried in Ward Cemetery, Franklin County, Illinois. Their children were Sarah Ann (born 1853), Mary Ellen, Marion McDonald (Don), Margaret Jane, William, George Washington, James Harding, John Franklin, Benjamin George and Isaac "Ike" Calloway.

Marion McDonald Purcell was born 10 February 1858, Perry County, Illinois and died 05 October 1931. He married Julia Ann Huffman, born 28 August 1869, Tamaroa, Illinois. They had Peter Wilks and Henry Everett Purcell and three unnamed children. They divorced in 1905. She died 29 July 1931 and was buried in Nine Mile Cemetery.



*George T. & Nobue Purcell.*

Henry Everett Purcell Sr. was born 14 September 1895, Du Quoin and died 29 June 1978 in Marion, Illinois. He is buried in the IOOF Cemetery. He was in the Army in World War I. He married Leta Pearl Rose. Their son, Vernon Earl, was born 23 January 1916 and died 1980. The couple divorced in 1919.

Henry then married Lyla Ethel Elledge, born 16 October 1903, daughter of John and Sarah (Gray) Elledge of Du Quoin. She died 13 January 1942 with burial in the IOOF Cemetery. They had five children.

Henry Everett Jr., born 29 August 1930 at St. Johns, Illinois. He married Betty Mae McCoy, born 22 June 1929 in Amagon, Arkansas. Their children were Brenda Kay, Donald Alvin, and Tammy Sue Purcell.

George Thomas Purcell was born 01 October 1932 in Du Quoin. He served in the Marine Corps from 01 December 1948 to 06 January 1949, and in the Army from 1952 to 1972. He married Nobue Tsutsui, daughter of Masao Tsutsui and Ada Suzuke on 09 December 1955 in Tokyo, Japan. She was born 30 October 1936 in Fujinomiya, Shizuoka, Honshu, Japan. They had three children: Lyla Nobue, George Masao, and Sherry Lynn.

Lyla Nobue Purcell, born 03 February 1958, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, married McFarland Bruce Queen, born 30 May 1958, Du Quoin. They have three children: Thomas Bruce born 06 January 1979, Fort Worth, Texas; James Masao born 31 January 1983, Alamogordo, New Mexico; and Nicholas Scott born 31 August 1986, Oxford, England. George Masao Purcell, born 14 January 1961 in Fort Riley, Kansas. He married Darrie Len Purcell, born 26 May 1960 in Fort Worth,



Texas, daughter of Robert Dean and Charline (Kuroshy) Purcell. George and Darrie had Duree Nobue, born 17 December 1984, Du Quoin, Illinois and George Thomas II, born 25 March 1988, Carbondale, Illinois. Sherry Lynn Purcell, born 05 June 1964 in Yokosuka, Japan, married Glenn Eric Bridges, born 26 June 1980, Sunfield, Illinois, son of Robert Gene and Carol Sue (Jones) Bridges. They had two children, Erica Lynn (born 28 June 1981) and Amy Sue (born 13 February 1984), both born in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

William Wilkes Purcell, born 24 August 1934, St. Johns, Illinois, married Doris Jean Little (born 27 June 1934, Du Quoin), daughter of Edgar Vernon and Ruby Lucille (Pritchett) Little. They had three children: William Wilks Jr., Brian Lee (born 22 February 1956, Du Quoin), and Cynthia Kay Purcell.

Robert Dean Purcell, born 06 April 1938 in St. Johns, Illinois, served in the Air Force between 1957 and 1959 and in the United States Army National Guard from 1960 to 1995. He married Charline Kurosky, born 06 May 1939, Fort Worth, Texas, daughter of Charlie and Mildred Helen (Elliott) Kurosky. They had two children, Arletta Kathline "Letty" and Darrie Len Purcell.

Lyle Roger Purcell, born 13 January 1942, Du Quoin, later resided in Michigan.

In 1935 Henry Everett Purcell Sr. was a building maintenance and truant officer in St. Johns. Henry married on 27 December 1955 to Clara Mary Harsy, daughter of Henry and Eva (Schneider) Harsy, born 06 March 1898, died 23 July 1981 with burial at IOOF Cemetery.

## PURSELL-WILLIAMSON

Arkell Purcell, the eldest child of Phillip Roy Purcell (23 January 1879-20 June 1942) and Pluma Catherine Jones (09 October 1879-17 March 1950) was born 19 December 1899 in Coulterville, Illinois. His paternal grandparents were Grayell T. B. Purcell (03 March 1844 Tennessee-26 January 1902 Illinois) and Mary Ellen Hill (14 February 1852-24 February 1941). His maternal grandparents were James Riley Jones (01 March 1841 Tennessee-06 March 1893 Illinois) and Tabitha Catherine Weaver (04 February 1843 Illinois-22 February 1917 Illinois).



*Irene, Sharon, Carl, Carrie, Arkell, Ed, and Norma Purcell.*

On 28 May 1923, in Washington County, Illinois, Arkell married Carrie Gladys Williamson (born 06 August 1905 Oakdale, Illinois), daughter of William Franklin Williamson (11 August 1869 Illinois-06 March 1954 Illinois) and Margaret Guthrie Logan (10 November 1877 Illinois-18 April 1945 Illinois). Her paternal grandfather was Robert David Williamson (19 May 1844 Kentucky-15 June 1909 Omaha, Nebraska). Her

maternal grandparents were Ruben Logan (17 August 1845 Illinois-26 July 1916 Illinois) and Anna Guthrie (27 January 1844 Illinois-27 February 1929 Illinois).

Arkell attended grade school in Pinckneyville, and being the eldest of nine children he had to go to work instead of continuing his education. His first jobs were in the Pinckneyville area coal mines and a St. Louis creamery. Later, back in Perry County, he became a mining inspector and was a member of the mine rescue team. When the mine was closed, he worked as an auto mechanic in Pinckneyville. February 1928 he began work in the Pinckneyville Post Office. He started carrying mail on the rural route with a team of horses and a mail buggy. By the middle 1930s he was delivering mail in a car, bad roads and all. He retired from the Post Office in 1966.



*(back) Carl Purcell, Arkell Purcell, Carrie Williamson Purcell, and Ed Purcell, (front) Sharon Purcell Wright, Norma Purcell Jones, and Irene Purcell Dixon.*

The family resided on West Grand until they moved to a farm located one mile south of Pinckneyville in the summer of 1942. At this time he enjoyed working part-time on his small farm where he lived the rest of his life. Other activities that were enjoyable to him were hunting, fishing, collecting guns and antique dishes, dancing, taking his family and friends to the movies and on drives through this country that he loved. Carrie was a loving homemaker and a devoted mother.

Arkell and Carrie had six children.

Carl Richard (28 December 1925) who first married Isabella Quinlen (26 December 1924) and had Sharon Kay (15 September 1947), Sandra Lee (12 January 1950), Susan Ann (30 June 1954), and Carl Richard Jr. (05 March 1957). Carl Sr. married second Theresa Helen Stiefel and had no children with this marriage.

Myrtle Irene (28 June 1928) married Curtis Earl Dixon (05 February 1926-20 December 1981) and had Sue Ellen (18 April 1954), Todd Alan (08 April 1957), Clay Russell (31 December 1960), and Kent Douglas (03 April 1963).

Norma Elberta (26 October 1930) married Kenneth J. Jones (04 November 1929) and had Kenneth Roy (27 October 1950), Connie Lynn (07 April 1952), Trudy Dawn (27 October 1953), Michael Allen (18 January 1955), Steven Douglas (14 January 1957), and Richard Dale (18 November 1965).

Edgar Arkell (21 April 1933) married Patricia Ann Gooch (13 December 1934) and had Edgar Arkell Jr. (03 May 1953), Timothy Carl (25 April 1955), Cheryl Ann (29 October 1956), Cynthia Lucille (18 January 1960), Tricia Kay (01 July 1965), and Julie Ann (25 July 1967).

Wilford Andrew (18 October 1935-23 January 1936).

Sharon Kay (24 October 1941) married Stuart R. Wright (12 October 1941) and had Scott Russell (12 January 1962) and Stuart Roy (19 April 1964).

Arkell died 13 January 1970 in Pinckneyville and Carrie died 26 September 1993. Interment for both was at the IOOF Cemetery in Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## PURSELL-BIRKNER

Perry Pringle Pursell, born 31 December 1876 in Pinckneyville, Illinois, was the son of Grayell Tandy Pursell (03 March 1845 Tennessee-26 January 1902 Pinckneyville, Illinois) and Mary Hill (14 February 1852 Tennessee-24 February 1941). Perry served in the Spanish American War. On 07 November 1900, at the residence of her parents, Michael Birkner and Elizabeth Ebersohl, Perry was wed to Miss Lena Birkner (24 April 1878-24 February 1956).



*Lena and Perry Pursell.*

Perry and Lena lived their entire life in Pinckneyville and raised eight children: Arthur Lee (1901); Leonard Dinsmore (1903); Bessie Mae (1907); Myrna Lorene (1908); Grayell Birkner (1910); Albert William (1912); Elizabeth Ellen (1914); and Hazel Adeline (1917). A male child was born 01 May 1905 and died the same day.

Arthur Lee was born 12 October 1901 and died in Pinckneyville 27 March 1983. Arthur Lee and Meta Faust (10 July 1904-09 May 1978) had three children: Meta Kathleen Pursell Rhodes (1922), Arthur Perry (1923), and Phyllis Elaine Pursell Guenther.

Leonard Dinsmore (11 April 1903-29 September 1977) married Lucille Hawkins (29 May 1904-17 January 1991) 17 June 1928. Leonard and Lucille took their two daughters, Lucille Caroline Pursell Thomas (1929) and Jacqueline Ilene Pursell Widney and moved to Oregon in 1948.

Bessie Mae (03 February 1907-1995) and Horace Deforest "Jack" Buckner had one daughter, Judith Ann Buckner Mayer (1941). Bessie and Jack moved to St. Louis, Missouri and lived next door to Myrna Lorene (15 August 1908-29 January 1997). Myrna was married to Jack's brother, Robert Mitchell had four children: Carol Ann Buckner Siebert (1937), Robert "Bobby" Mitchell (1940), Susan Kay Buckner Leonard (1946), and Nancy Jo Buckner Feld (1950).

Grayell Birkner (30 November 1910) married Roberta Bigham and lived in Pinckneyville with their three daughters: Betty Joan (1933), Patricia Ann (1935), and Shirley Yvonne (1938).

Albert William (22 October 1914-11 October 1996) also lived in Pinckneyville where he married Florence Kelley on 31 October 1934 in Anna. Albert and Florence had one son, Albert Eugene (1936), and one daughter, Janice Maye (1941).



Elizabeth Ellen Pursell Trefts (05 October 1914-14 October 1996) married Ivan Arthur Trefts in 1935. They lived most of their life in South St. Louis. They had two sons, Ronald Ivan (1937) and Roger Pursell (1942).

The youngest family member, Hazel Adeline, married Dale Miller and resided in St. Louis and had two sons: Gary Dale (1941) and David Wayne (1946).

## PYATT-SMITH

Married on 24 July 1971 at Trinity Lutheran Church, Conant, Paul Richard (born 18 February 1948) and Joyce Ann Smith (born 03 September 1949) Pyatt live on the "home place" on Pyatt's curve, Route 127, five miles south of Pinckneyville. They have one son, Nathan Aaron. All three are members at that church.

A partner in Pyatt Brothers Farm operation, Paul contributes full time efforts to the operation and collaborates with brothers Robert Gene and Teddy Joe who share the load around their work at Captain coal mine.



Joyce, Nathan, and Paul Pyatt.

Paul "retired" as a leader of the Pyatt Community 4-H Club. He was elected to the Board of Directors for Egyptian Electric Cooperative in 1994 and is board president. He has an avid interest in rural water and has worked with the Pyramid Water Company (now Washington County Water Company) and Egyptian Water Company representing areas of Perry and Randolph counties.

A member of the Madrigal Society of Southern Illinois, he has been floor manager for the madrigal dinners for three years. He orchestrates the activities related to the performances.

In September 1971, Joyce became Extension Adviser, Home Economics with the University of Illinois Cooperative Extension Service in Washington County, Nashville. In 1992, Extension restructuring enabled her to move from a "generalist in a small geographic location to a specialist in a large geographic location". She became Extension Educator, Family Life for the southern twelve counties in Illinois, with office at Marion, Illinois. "Unexpected" opportunity "knocked" in 1997; the position was cut via fiscal down-sizing. Joyce was granted early Federal retirement due to discontinued service.

In career transition, Joyce remains active with Trinity Lutheran Church, Conant activities, continues as Pyatt Community 4-H Club leader, and sings soprano with the Madrigal Society of Southern Illinois, a group devoted to the production of medieval music. She is currently the Society's secretary-treasurer.

Nathan Aaron (born 14 January 1977) completed Pinckneyville Junior High School, District

50 as an honor student, band member and right fielder for the baseball team. He continued 4-H activities and his interest in that and the Future Farmers of America prompted purchase of registered Simmental cattle.

An active student at Pinckneyville Community High School, Nathan earned respect in football as punter and offensive guard. He played baseball, participated in band, FFA and several clubs and was voted "Most Likely to Succeed". A 1995 graduate, he was one of twelve co-valetictorians. (It kept us busy with supporting roles!)

A junior at Illinois State University, Normal, Illinois, in animal science/chemistry, Nathan is a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society, Order of Omega Greek Honor Society and Ag Club. A member of the Beta Delta Chapter of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity (a social/professional agricultural fraternity) he is past historian, now Vice Noble Ruler for Scholastics. He plans to graduate in 1999 and is contemplating graduate school in Ruminant Nutrition. *Submitted by Joyce A. Pyatt*

## QUEEN-BIRD

Walter Fairbanks Queen and Bertha Lucille Bird were united in marriage in Murphysboro, Illinois. Walter F. Queen and his twin, Welcher Queen, were born 20 October 1904 to Alfred and Nancy Foster Queen. Bertha was born 28 June 1908 to Pleasant and Emma Brown Bird. Walter had three brothers and four sisters. Bertha had three sisters and three brothers.

To Walter and Bertha four daughters were born. Virginia Maxine Queen was born 13 December, she married Curtis Neal to which three sons were born. Terry Dale Neal died in a car accident while serving in the United States Army. Walter Blake Neal married Shirley Robbie. They have three children: Andrea, Pam, and Alex. All three children are presently students. Blake works for Arch Mining and they live in Chapmanville, West Virginia. Douglas Allen Neal was born 01 October 1953. He married Nora Hagene of Pinckneyville and they have three sons: Aron, Adam, and Richard. They reside in rural Pinckneyville. Doug is employed by the Illinois Department of Corrections. Nora works in home health care.

Virginia and Curtis later divorced. Virginia married Walter Mills 20 March 1986 and they reside on Cudgetown Road, Du Quoin, Illinois. Walter is retired and Virginia owns a janitorial service.

Walter and Bertha's second daughter, Delores Faye Queen, was born 17 June 1941 in Hammond, Indiana. Delores married James Henseler in October 1957. To them was born Gary and Greg Henseler. Gary married Lori Bierman of Pinckneyville. They now live in Collinsville where Gary has his own landscaping company and Lori is a physical therapist. Greg married and divorced. He and his two daughters, Jennifer and Chelsea, live in Glen Carbon, Illinois. Greg works at Granite City Steel as a millwright. Delores and Jim live in Collinsville, Illinois where Jim works as a machinist in St. Louis and Delores is a housewife.

Peggy Annette Queen was born 02 October 1943 to Walter and Bertha. Peggy married Grant Allen Taylor of Tamaroa, Illinois. Together they have three children. Kelley Ann married James Edward Searby of Tamaroa. They have two sons,

Joshua James and Matthew Grant. Jim works for the Illinois Department of Transportation and Kelley works for District 204 Grade School. Trina Annette Taylor was born 10 May 1967. She married Robert Conte II and they adopted a son, Garrett Taylor, on 13 July 1996. Robert is a computer analyst for Missouri Pacific Railroad and Trina is a dental hygienist. They live in Baldwin, Missouri. Rick Allen Taylor was born 26 August 1977 in Du Quoin. Rick is still at home and is employed as a machinist at Taylor Brothers Welding. He is also attending Rend Lake College. Grant and Peggy live in rural Tamaroa. Grant is part owner and plant manager of Taylor Brothers Welding and Machine Shop in Tamaroa.

The fourth daughter of Walter and Bertha was Anita Sue Queen. She married Gary Turner and they adopted two children, Travis Wayne and Ginger Sue. Travis works for Chrysler Company in Fenton, Missouri and Ginger is a student at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. Anita and Gary divorced and in 1995 Anita married Jerry Dennison. Jerry is employed at the Chrysler Plant in Fenton, Missouri. They live in Waterloo, Illinois.

Walter Queen was a small time farmer, and for most of his working life, he worked in the coal mines. He suffered from Parkinsons disease and was forced to retire when Pyramid mines closed. Bertha was a housewife and mother but for many years, transported school children to the rural school in their district. Walter passed away in July of 1985 and Bertha passed away in March of 1983.

## RABE-KELLEY

Henry William "Hank" Rabe was born 19 February 1929 in Pinckneyville, Illinois, the second child and oldest son of Henry Fritz Rabe (born 03 September 1903 near Bremen, Illinois; died 22 November 1971) and Ernestine Anna Mayer (born 27 December 1907 Lost Prairie, Illinois) and the grandson of William Louis Rabe (born 03 November 1876 in Eivelsee, Hanover, Germany). William Louis came to Bremen, Randolph County at the age of fourteen as an indentured servant to the Bill Eber's family and worked for seven years without pay to pay for his passage, and Mary Dora (Bierman) Rabe (born 11 March 1883 Willisville, Illinois; died 21 September 1949).



(far left up): Wilhelm, William Louis, Henry F., Henry W., (bottom): L. Douglas, five Rabe generations.

Ernestine Anna Mayer Rabe was the oldest child of Martin Mayer (born 13 October 1880; died 16 September 1973) and Caroline (Paasch) Mayer (born 22 February 1886; died 16 January 1919). Martin and Caroline are Hank's grandparents. Ernestine died 03 February 1998.





*The Henry Rabes celebrate their Golden Anniversary 05 June 1998. Henry "Hank", Catherine Leigh "Kitty", Rick, Gertrude, "Trudy", Matthew James "Matt", Doug and Marion Rabe.*

William Louis is the third child of Wilhelm Rabe born in 1837 in Germany and Louisa (Nuehring) Rabe born in Husum, Hanover, Germany date unknown. She died in Germany in 1888. Wilhelm was a railroad section worker in Germany. He came to America in 1890 with five children ages nine to eighteen. He died 25 September 1910 and is interred in the Postville Cemetery, Postville, Iowa.

Mary was the daughter of Henry Bierman (born 28 October 1846; died 04 October 1914). Judge Bierman was very prominent throughout southern Illinois and served two terms as county commissioner in Randolph County. Mary's mother was Caroline Wilson (born 1850 Randolph County, IL), the granddaughter of John Wilson (born 1817 Denmark) and Catherine Wilson (born 1828 Germany).

Hank's sister, Ernestine Miesner, died 19 November 1989 in St. Louis, Missouri. She had two daughters. A brother, Lawrence "Larry" of Pinckneyville has two sons. A sister, Irene Davis of Taylorville, Illinois, has two sons.

On 05 June 1948 Hank married Gertrude "Trudy" Kelley (born 16 January 1928 Du Quoin, Illinois) (see Kelley family history in Volume I, page 189). They have two sons: Lawrence Douglas (born 03 January 1955 Hannibal, Missouri) and Richard Lee (born 07 April 1957 Macomb, Illinois).

Lawrence Douglas graduated from the University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee with a Bachelors Degree in Engineering Technology and is employed at C.A.C.I. in San Antonio, Texas. He married Marian Santillian (born 07 March 1960 Los Angeles, California). She is a registered nurse currently working in home health care while pursuing her certificate as a nurse practitioner. They have two children: Catherine Leigh "Kitty" (born 01 August 1995 New Braunfels, Texas) and Matthew James "Matt" (born 17 December 1996 New Braunfels, Texas).

Richard Lee graduated from the University of Memphis, Memphis, Tennessee with a Masters Degree in Business Administration. He lives in Memphis and works for the Promus Companies as a Data Base Specialist.

Hank spent his working years in the retail business and retired as a Director of Stores for Catherines, Inc.

## RAINES-HAVENS

David Raines (11 September 1973) was born in Memphis, Tennessee. He married Valerie

Havens of Las Vegas, Nevada 17 April 1993. They have three children: Courtney (13 January 1990), Zachary (21 September 1994), and Jacob (06 February 1996). Courtney was born in California while Zachary and Jacob were born in Las Vegas, Nevada. David is in the United States Air Force and is now stationed in Great Falls, Montana. He has attained the rank of Staff Sergeant.



*David, Valerie, Courtney, Jacob and Zachary Raines, December 1997.*

Jeana Raines has not married and resides in Pinckneyville.

## RAMSEY

William H. Ramsey, born 24 June 1854, claimed he was born in a covered wagon on his way from Caldwell County, Kentucky to Illinois in 1854. This may have been true since his father, Pascal Ramsey, and his wife Julia, are buying land in July in Franklin County of that year. Pascal Ramsey was born in Virginia in 1812 and was married in Kentucky about 1850. William's mother, Julia, died a few years later after giving birth to William's brother David in 1859. William married Martha Hammond, daughter of Reuben H. Hammond and Permilia Brayfield in Franklin County on 15 November 1876. Reuben was born in Simpson County, Kentucky in 1838 and Permilia, Reuben's wife, was born in Overton County, Tennessee in 1842. Reuben died in the Civil War in 1863 when Martha was two. Martha claims to having made William a pair of trousers when she was only eleven.

William and Martha resided shortly in Jackson County before moving to Sunfield in Perry County, living on Front Street the rest of their lives. William farmed and worked for the local mine. He died 12 March 1938 in Sunfield. It was so

muddy at the time of his death, William had to be carried by neighbors to the church.

William and Martha had fourteen children: Julia (1877), Reuben (1878), Mary (1880), William Edwin (1883), Cicero (1885), John Charles (1886), Guy Claude (1888), Alice Mae (1892), Birdie Elzada (1894), Pearl Bryant (1897), Stella M. (1899), Vera (1903), Fleta (1904), and Arthur (1907).



*(front) Mary, Henry, William, Stella, Martha, Julia; (back) Edwin, Pearl, Charlie, Alice, Guy. The Ramseys 1902.*

Mary Ellen Ramsey married Walter Norris born 1877 son of Louis Norris and Amanda Woodside both of Washington County. Mary and Walter were married in Perry County 11 June 1900. They lived at #2 Line Street in Du Quoin until they died in the 1960s. The house on Line Street was built during the Civil War by the Frizzells in the 1860s. It was not finished until 1869, costing about \$12,000, late, because materials were hard to get during the war. Special six-foot windows starting at the floor, were installed that swung out for air flow through the house. Mary "Molly" painted the house in 1954 when she was seventy-four years old. Walter was a coal miner and also retired from the Du Quoin Post Office with twenty-seven years of service. They had three children: Beulah (1902), Edith (1906), and Lillian (1909).



*Home of Walter and Mary Norris from 1923-1966 at #2 Line Street, Du Quoin. Built in 1860s by William Frizzell during the Civil War for \$11,661; torn down for apartments. Photo circa 1950.*

Beulah Edna Norris married George Andrew Schneider, son of Erhart Schneider and Margret Meyer of St. Clair County. Beulah and George married in 1921 and lived in Du Quoin. George was left-handed and played first base for the local traveling baseball team. Beulah and George had two children: Robert Lee (1923) and Patricia Jean (1930).

Robert Lee Schneider married Shirley Mae Leiendecker 19 October 1948. They have three children: Steven Robert (1954), Diane Marie (1957), and David Lee (1967).



Steven Robert Schneider married Shelia Reed, and lastly, Virginia Birk in 1982. He has one child, Blake Steven (1980).

Diane Marie Schneider married Lew Munster 1982 and they have one child, Lee Ann (born 1984). *Submitted by Steve Schneider.*

## RAMSEY-MC DONNOUGH

Frances McDonnough Ramsey was born 25 December 1928 on a farm two miles west of Pinckneyville. She was the sixth child of Vallie and Fannie Hutchings McDonnough's eight children. She attended Beaucoup grade school and Pinckneyville Community High School and was the drum major for the band.

Frances' ancestors were early settlers in Southern Illinois before it became a state divided into counties. The McDonnoughs were descendants of Eustace "Stacey" McDonnough who arrived in the Kaskaskia area with Colonel George Rogers Clark and his men about 1796. Her mother, Fannie Hutchings McDonnough, was a descendant of John Hutchings who was one of the earliest settlers in Perry County. He arrived with his brother and a group of 18 others from Robertson County, Tennessee. Her grandmother was Naomi Moore Hutchings, daughter of John W. and Ellen Evans Moore of St. Clair County. They were descendants of Risdon and Blandana Moore who were the original settlers. They arrived in New Jersey from Wales to establish a new gold and silver company in America. He was a gold and silver bullion dealer with companies in Wales and London.

Frances married Joseph Merl Ramsey from Edmond, West Virginia on 04 February 1949. He was the youngest of the ten children of George W. and Mary Catherine Stroud Ramsey. He entered the United States Army during World War II at the age of 17. He served four years in the Pacific Theater when the war ended.

Joe was a member of the Ironworkers of America Union and was a foreman with American Bridge Structural Steel Company during the building of the West Virginia Turnpike and the construction of the Minuteman Missiles in Montana, North Dakota, and Missouri. He died 04 February 1967 and is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery.

They had one son, Joseph Greg, born 24 November 1953. He married Janet Poole of East St. Louis and they had three children: Nathan, Mary Christine, and Joseph Greg Jr. They live at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri.

Frances graduated from Beaucoup Grade School and Pinckneyville High School in 1946. She graduated from Montana School of Nursing and attended Central Missouri University where she received her Bachelor and Masters Degrees in Speech Pathology and Audiology. She received her Ph.D. from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. She was a therapist and university professor for many years in Illinois, Iowa, and Texas. She was a consultant for the State of Iowa.

Frances is a member of Tallowood Baptist Church in Houston, Texas where she developed a mission ministry serving 17 retirement centers. She has served in mission work in Taiwan and Thailand. She is presently involved in establishing a mission in Chaing Mai, Thailand. She has helped establish many churches in several states.

## REDDINGTON-WARD

Owen Reddington was born about 1820 in County Galway, Ireland. Reddington is an anglicized version of the Gaelic name Mulderring (O Maoildeirg), a family name once prominent in County Mayo. He married Hannah Ward, who was born in Ireland about 1824, and they had one son, John Reddington, who was born in Ireland about 1846. The family then moved to England, where Owen and Hannah had three daughters born: Bridget, on 17 January 1855, Catherine, about 1858, and Hannah Cecilia, on 01 January 1860.

Owen came to the United States about 1863 and to Illinois about 1865, according to his naturalization final oath filed in the Circuit Court of Perry County on 11 May 1870. On 11 February 1865 Owen placed an advertisement in the Boston Pilot giving his address as St. John's, Perry County, State of Illinois, and seeking information on Patrick and Martin Reddington of the parish of Lockough, Townland of Liscannane, County Galway, who had emigrated to this country earlier. In the 1870 federal census in Perry County, Owen and his son John were listed as miners, Hannah was listed as keeping house, and the three daughters were shown as students.

Owen and Hannah's eldest daughter Bridget married John Masquelet on 26 August 1873 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. John Masquelet, born on 09 February 1848 in Teutopolis, Effingham County, Illinois, was one of three sons of John and Mary (Schleper) Masquelet, who were of French and German descent. John was educated in the district schools of Effingham County and at St. Joseph's College in Teutopolis, where he also took a course in pharmacy, graduating in June 1869. For the following eight years he taught school in Perry County and then embarked in the drug business in Chicago from 1880 to 1893. John and his wife Bridget had three sons: Francis Maurice, born on 05 April 1875 in Du Quoin, Albert, born on 30 November 1877, and Edward, who died in infancy. Their eldest son Francis was baptized on 12 April 1875 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. In later life he changed his name to Frank George Masquelette. Bridget Reddington Masquelet died on 08 October 1883 in Lake, Cook County, Illinois, and was buried there in St. Boniface Cemetery. John next married Margaret Oswald in Lake, Cook County, Illinois, on 03 February 1885, and they had eight children, of whom four died in infancy and four survived to be adults. John was from 1893 to about 1903 in the glass manufacturing business in the town of Sims near Marion, Grant County, Indiana, where he played the organ in St. Paul's Catholic Church. He died in Chicago on 19 January 1913, and he was buried in St. Mary's Cemetery, Evergreen Park, Cook County, Illinois.

Catherine Reddington, second daughter of Owen and Hannah Ward Reddington, lived in Murphysboro, Jackson County, Illinois, before moving to Hollywood, California, shortly before 1929. Her married name was Kate Hudson.

Hannah Cecilia Reddington, third daughter of Owen and Hannah Ward Reddington, grew up in an area then known as Eagle Town, just north of St. John's. She married Charles Rogers on 08 May 1884 in Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Du Quoin. Hannah and Charles Rogers had six children: Charles Rogers Jr., Albert and John Rogers, Mrs. A. H. (Winnifred) Schleper, Mrs. C.

J. (Edith) Schleper, and Mrs. Kathryn Rogers. Hannah died on 03 April 1929 in Du Quoin. Charles was born in 1857 in Pontypool, Wales, and he died in 1931. Both Hannah and Charles were buried in Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery.

Owen Reddington died at his home in St. John's on 22 July 1877, and Hannah Ward Reddington died on 21 March 1899 at the home of her daughter Hannah Reddington Rogers in Du Quoin. Both Owen and his wife Hannah were buried in Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery. Their son John Reddington died in McKeesport, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, sometime before 1929. *Submitted by Philip A. Masquelette.*

## REDNOUR-HEPP

Lazarus Rednour was born in Green County, Tennessee in the year of 1828. His father was John Rednour and his mother was Elizabeth Jeffers Rednour. Lazarus married Mareny Moore, daughter of Edward and Nancy Manor Moore in Green County, Tennessee on 10 August 1848.



*The John and Wanda Rednour Family.*

Lazarus Rednour served in the 1st Tennessee Cavalry in the union Army during the Civil War. Lazarus' ancestors came from Alsace, France in 1739. Lazarus and Mareny had eight children: Elizabeth, Edward, John R., Thomas, Enoch, Nancy, Mary, and Eliza. All were born in Green County, Tennessee. Lazarus and his family moved to Steeleville, Illinois in 1868 where he farmed for many years. Lazarus died in Steeleville in the year of 1897. His wife, Mareny, died in 1914 in Steeleville also.

John Riley Rednour, third child of Lazarus, was born in 1852 in Green County, Tennessee. In Steeleville, Illinois in the year 1880, he married Amanda C. Waller, daughter of Charles and Hanna Lease Waller. He worked in the local mines for many years. In 1898 they moved to Cutler, Illinois in Perry County. To them were born twelve children: John T., Arthur E., Anna M., Mattie M., Charles L., Ora E., Rella L., Edward N., Robert J., Albert E., Mary E., and Berniece M. John Riley died in Cutler in 1933. Amanda died in Cutler in 1945.

Ora E. Rednour, sixth child of John Riley, was born in Steeleville in 1894 and moved to Cutler in 1898 with his father and mother. He served in World War I. He married Margaret Masters Burke, daughter of Floyd A. and Harriet Derossett Masters and mother of Frank Burke in Cutler, in 1933. To them were born two sons, John Edward and Clifford Dale. Ora E. worked in the coal mines of Southern Illinois for forty years. Ora E. died in Du Quoin in 1975. Margaret died in Du Quoin in 1989.

John Edward Rednour, son of Ora E., was born in 1934 in Percy, Illinois but has lived in Perry



County most of his life. In 1952 he married Wanda Lou Hepp of Cutler. To them were born three children: Kathryn Dianne married James Campanella; Janice Louise married Kevin Pyle; and John Edward Jr. married Laurie Martin. John and Wanda have five grandchildren: Jillian Roznowski-Pyle, Lauren Rednour, John Rednour III, Jordan Campanella, and Calen Campanella.

John Rednour worked as a structural ironworker from 1951 to 1962 and is president and chairman of Rednour Steel Erectors, Incorporated. The business was founded by him in 1962.

Rednour is Chairman of the Board of Du Quoin State Bank, present Mayor of Du Quoin, and for the past nine years, a member of the Illinois State Police Merit Board, Masonic Lodge, and Shriners. He has been active in politics for many years. He has served for two years on the Trico School Board, two terms as County Commissioner of Perry County, eight years in Chairmans Association and twenty-three years as Democrat National Committeeman.

Wanda is a member of the Board of directors of Du Quoin State Bank and also has served as member and chairman of the Illinois State Board of Elections.

## REES/REESE/RHYS

The Rees/Reese families have been in Perry County since the early 1800s, moving here mainly from Kentucky, Tennessee and the Pennsylvania/Delaware area. The family is of Welsh decent and the original spelling was Rhys.



Wedding Picture of William Henry Rees and Nora Viola Smith, about 1900.

Edward Hampton Rees married Catherine Lindsay and their children were: James Lindsay, Ephraim Timothy (born 1811), Rueben Ross (born 1814), and John Douglas C. (born 1818).

James Lindsay Rees married Mary Biddle and their son was Ehrain Ross (born 1852).

Ephraim Timothy Rees married Elvira Gillehan. Their children were: Lycurgus (born 1836), Mary Catherine (born 1838), Robert Gillehan (born 1840), Rebecca (born 1845), Elizabeth (born 1848), Franes R. (born 1852), Flora T. (1859), Rueben H. (born 1859), Elizabeth (born 1864), and Lydia (born 1864).

John Douglas C. Rees married Polly Short. Commonly known as "Jack", John was Sheriff of Perry County in 1858. He was a Mexican War veteran and was a Lieutenant Colonel in the Civil War, being wounded in the battle of Vicksburg. The town of Denmark was platted by him in 1860 and was first called Johnstown.

The children of Jack and Polly were: Josephine (born 1843), Eliza Louisa (born 1845), and Cyrus Breeze (born 1849).

Rueben H. Rees married Mary Jane Jinkins. Their children: William Henry (born 1878), Elza (born 1887), Emma, and Deana.

William Henry Reese married Nora Viola Smith. Their children were Florence Cassey (born 1902) and Alice Mabel (born 1908).

Florence Reese married Frank Kreitner. Their five children are Wanda Adeline (born 1921), Arthur Ward (born 1923), Norma Jean (born 1925), Noman Floyd (born 1931), and Gary Neal (born 1942).

Wanda Adeline Reese married Arthur Kueker and had a daughter, Shielia Jean (born 1941).

Shielia Jean Kueker married Glen H. Salger and had two daughters, Debra Jean (born 24 October 1960) and Vicki Renee (born 24 October 1967).

Debra Jean Salger married Larry Dean Rohlfing. Their two children are Jaylen Quinn (born 1987) and Jourdain Whitney (born 1989).

Vicki Renee Salger married Kenneth Eggemeyer. *Submitted by S. Jean Kueker Salger.*

## REESE-EGBERT

Frederick Reese was born 06 February 1859, birthplace unknown. Some say he was born in Holland but this is uncertain. His parents were Henry and Mary (Becker) Reese from Germany. Frederick Reese died in Perry County on 25 February 1933. He could speak fluent German.



Frederick & Jennettia Reese and Family, (front) Sarah Slusher holding her daughter Evelyn, Fred Reese holding his son Henry, Genevieve, Jennettia, Ruby, Frederick H. holding Lawrence Slusher (son of Sarah and Earl Slusher). (back) Earl Slusher, Isaac "Ike" Reese, Essie Tessier Reese (Ike's wife), William "Bill" Reese, George Reese, Benjamin "Ben" Reese, and Philip "Phil" Reese

Frederick Reese married on 30 December 1886 to Jennettia Ann (Egbert) Resse. Jennettia was born 20 February 1872 in Perry County, Illinois. Her parents were Phillip Lennon Egbert and Sarah Laurence (Stout) Egbert. Frederick was a blacksmith and had a shop on the East side of the town square in Pinckneyville. He later moved to a farm near Denmark on Pyatt Blacktop Road and it was here that all ten of their children were born. He built a big house on this farm. It was said that he wanted each of his children to have a room. The children of Frederick and Jennettia are: Fred H. (born 21 June 1888), Sarah Marie (born 26 January 1890), Ike, William "Bill" (born 20 September 1894), George (born 11 March 1897), Benjamin "Ben", Ruby (died as a young child with rheumatic fever), Philip, Genevieve (born 25 April 1907), and Henry (born 25 October 1910). Jennettia died at the age of 39 while giving birth to a stillborn child on 12 August 1913. She and Frederick are buried at Galum Presbyterian Church Cemetery south of Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## REIDELBERGER-KELLEY

Peter Richard Reidelberger, a blacksmith, was born in Maryland, the son of John (later of Monroe County, Illinois) and Mary A. Volmer Redfern. He is thought to have had two brothers, Christian and Henry James. According to the 1880 Jefferson County, Illinois Blissville census Peter's father was born in Germany and his mother was born in Tennessee. Peter died 06 January 1900 at the age of 65 years, 6 months, and 28 days.

Peter married Mary J. Todd on 04 December 1858 in Perry County, Illinois. They had at least six known children: Joseph (born 11 August 1859), Thomas H. (born 19 August 1861; died 08 November 1865), William J. (born 15 September 1864; died 14 September 1865), Peter Richard (born 23 September 1866), George Edward (born 04 December 1868), and Thomas M. (born 02 February 1871). Mary died 09 December 1871.

Peter married Bridget Kelley on 30 October 1872. Bridget was born circa 1845 in Ireland to Andrew & Mary Maher Kelley, and died circa 1929. She is buried at Todd's Mill Catholic Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois. They had at least four known children: Maggie (born 10 October 1875), Hattie (born 01 October 1876; died 18 Jul 1904, or possibly 08 August), Theresa (born 26 November 1879; married Samuel S. Quinn 28 December 1905), and Mary A. (born 16 September 1873; d. 24 January 1876). Theresa and Samuel

raised at least two known children: Paul Edward (b. 06 October 1912) and another son who was stillborn 08 November 1907.

## REISINGER

Jonathan Reisinger, from Meigs County, Ohio, married Sarah ?. They had 10 known children. Jonathan died 29 November 1864 in Perry County, Illinois. Their known children were: Frederick, David, Peter, George, Barbara Ann, Margaret Jane, Jacob, Mary, Emily Charlotte, and Jonathan Jr. Frederick married Martha E. Folden.

David (born 09 November 1829 Ohio; died 22 February 1891 Perry County, Illinois) married Susannah Dike/Dyke (born 11 August 1840 McArthur, Ohio; died 24 July 1896 Pinckneyville). Susannah was the daughter of William & Phoebe A. (Martin) Dike and belonged to the Women's Relief Corps. After David's death in 1891, Susannah married and divorced George J. Davis.



David is buried in the Keene Cemetery in Perry Co., Illinois. Peter married Margaret J. Boyd and his brother, George, married Catherine Viers. Barbara Ann married Samuel Wiley on 28 July 1864 in Perry County, Illinois.

Margaret Jane married Sylvanus Robinson and her brother, Jacob, married Mary Ellen Walsh (08 March 1866 Perry County, Illinois). There is no additional information about Mary or Emily Charlotte at this writing. Jonathan married Mary J. Arnett on 21 May 1868 in Perry County, Illinois; they had one daughter, Clara C. (born 1871) who married Sanford A. Rigdon (born 1877 Indiana) on 07 September 1890. (Also see Reisinger-Viers history.)

## REISINGER-DOOLIN

This Reisinger family came into Illinois from Meigs County, Ohio, in the last half of the 1800s. In 1852 Peter Reisinger, who was born in 1831, married Margaret Jane Bard, who was born in 1832. Eleven children were born to this union, four of whom died in infancy.

Jacob David Reisinger, the sixth child of this union, was born west of Pinckneyville, near the Galum Baptist Church, 25 December 1864. He married Jennie Doolin 19 May 1889 in Pinckneyville. They had four children: a son who died in infancy and three daughters, Blanche Hubler (born 16 December 1893), Maud Guy (born 06 May 1896), and Verna Lewis (born 15 January 1902).

Jacob D. Reisinger farmed early in his life, then became a blacksmith. At one time he owned a blacksmith shop in Rice, then a shop in Craig's Station (Winkle) where he lived about six years. He moved his family to Swanwick, Illinois in the early 1900s where he owned a blacksmith shop. They had the telephone office in their home during much of the family's stay in Swanwick. The two older daughters were taken out of school at an early age so they could operate the switchboard. About 1915 the family moved to Pinckneyville where Mr. Reisinger continued his trade until the time of his death in 1934.

Jennie (Doolin) Reisinger was the daughter of William and Lettie (Tate) Doolin. She was born in Randolph County, Illinois on 19 September 1865, the fourth of ten children born to this union. Jennie's father was a farmer who later lived near Craig's Station (Winkle). Jennie was a loving wife and mother who always seemed to find time to help her neighbors or whomever she saw needed help.

Jacob and Jennie Reisinger and their infant son are buried in Old Concord Cemetery north of Pinckneyville near Rice. Two of their daughters, Blanch Hubler and Maud Guy, are buried alongside their husbands in Mueller Hill Cemetery west of Pinckneyville. At the time of this writing their third daughter, Verna Lewis, is living in Birmingham, Alabama. *Submitted by Wilma Guy.*

## REISINGER-VIERS

George Reisinger (born 22 April 1833) was the son of Jonathan (died 29 November 1864 Perry County, Illinois) and Sarah (?) Reisinger who were believed married in Ohio. George married Catharine Viers (born 13 May 1832). George and Catharine had five known children. Their first child was Socrates "Crate" who was a mule-skinner. He hauled coal and worked in a foundry in Granite City, Illinois. He married Lucy (?).

Samantha Viola was their second child. She was born about 1860 in Galia County, Ohio and married twice in her lifetime; first to Peter Arnett and second to Don McClurken, both of Perry County, Illinois (see Arnett-Reisinger-McClurken history).



*John and Susan D. "Dell" Reisinger Jenkel.*

The Reisinger's third child was Mary L. who was born about 1865 and married Thomas Arnett on 03 September 1882 in Perry County, Illinois. Margaret J. was the fourth child in the family. Susan D. "Dell" was the fifth of the Reisinger children. She married John Jenkel. Although they had no children of their own, they raised Bill Runion.

George passed away on 05 September 1873 in Perry County, Illinois. Catharine followed on 11 September 1894. Both are buried in the Galum Baptist Cemetery in Perry County. *Submitted by Violet Kelley Trigg.*

## REVELLE, AXUM MAJOR

Interview with Mr. Revelle, Du Quoin Evening Call, 10 September 1934:

Axum was born in Edgecomb County, North Carolina on 11 September 1834 and came over the Blue Ridge Mountains while a baby, with his parents, in a horse cart, to Brownsville, Tennessee (Post Office, Cherryville, Tennessee) in Haywood County (later named Crockett County).

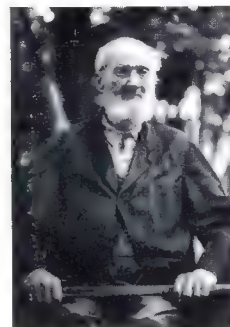
When he was five years old, he had a spell of cramp colic and told his mother if he had another spell he thought he would die.

Axum says customs during his early years were very different from present time. He and his brothers were "wild bucks" as he expressed it. They made their own first wagon. Wheels were made out of blackgum wood and the vehicle drawn by oxen. They had one old horse cart, not buggies. A few horses came in later.

Axum voted first for John Bell, a Whig, in 1856, who was defeated by James Buchanan, a Democrat.

Axum was a member of the Rebel army under Captain Clay. He rode his own horse to the war and returned on it afterwards. After he returned on his own horse near the end of the war, he then rode his horse to Jackson, Tennessee where he formally surrendered to Provost Marshall Smith of the Union Army. The Marshall told him he could take his horse back home with him. He never was captured nor did he ever serve as a prisoner of war. He moved to Illinois in 1864 after his father-in-law, Isaac Edward Maclin had moved here in 1863. The rebels made it hard for them to remain in Tennessee. He first settled in Du Quoin, but in 1872 he moved to his present farm site. Miss Eliza Revelle, his daughter, born 08 January 1866, now cares for him on the farm home.

Local country near Du Quoin was mostly prairie when he located here in 1864, with very little woodlands. Main and Division streets were laid off and so was the city park. Three business buildings at the corner of Main and Division streets housed the only stores and the population was only a few hundred.



*Axum Revelle, 1934.*

(From the Genevieve Rainey Genealogical Collection.)

Note: In 1934 very few people lived 100 years. When news of this Centenarian reached St. Louis and Chicago newspapers, he received letters from all over the United States, mostly congratulations, but many from other Revelles wondering if they might be distant kin. *Submitted by Eunice Ritter, granddaughter.*

## REVELLE, EUGENE

Eugene Maclin Revelle, the third son of Major Axum and Elsie Martel Revelle was born 03 June 1917 (see Revelle-Martel histories in Volumes I and II). He was named for his paternal grandmother, Susan Alice Maclin Revelle, who passed away two weeks before he was born, and had requested that the baby be named Maclin if it was a boy. As he grew up on the farm near Sunfield, he attended Sunfield School and graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1935 when our country was in the throes of the Great Depression. In 1938 he joined the Civilian Conservation Corps, an agency set up as a part of the Emergency Program of 1933. It provided employment and training for young men. He was inducted at Sparta, Illinois, and soon stationed near Contact, Nevada, helping build a new CCC Camp. Here he learned welding, surveying, mechanics and other valuable skills.

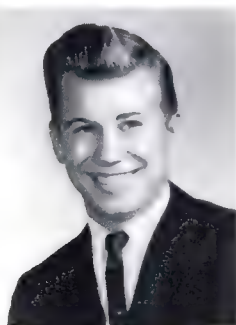


*Eugene M. Revelle.*

In 1942 Gene began working for Pacific Bridge Company and was immediately transferred to Hawaii to help in the construction of overhead cranes and dry docks and raising United States ships, sunk when Japan bombed Pearl Harbor. He



then worked for the United States Army Engineers on the Island of Guam, and was there when the Japanese surrendered 09 August 1945. At the end of the war, in 1945-46, he was involved in loading a huge electric power plant called "The Electra" and a giant suction dredge into a dry dock and towing it 1600 miles north into Tokyo Bay. They then built the long runway for the International Airport there, called Haneda. This completed, he returned to Honolulu, Hawaii and subsequently came home to the United States.



Glenn U. Revelle.

In 1948, in Las Vegas, Nevada, Gene married Vera Mae DeFur. Vera was born 03 April 1921, the daughter of Ira and Bertha Woodside DeFur, and grew up in Du Quoin, Illinois. Also in 1948, he started working for Chicago Bridge and Iron, a company that erected oil storage tanks and refinery pressure vessels. This took him to many areas in the United States, Asia, South Africa and Europe, as oil discoveries were being developed in the Arabian Gulf, Middle East, and the North Sea. He lived overseas during these years with intervals on leave spent at home in Du Quoin. In 1951 he spent eight months in Thule, Greenland working with a consortium building Thule Air Base for the Army.

On a job in Mandan, North Dakota in 1953, Gene and Vera took six year old Glenn Underdahl into their hearts and home. His mother, who could no longer take care of him, asked Gene and Vera to take him to raise as their own, which they did. However, when they sought to legally adopt him, his mother refused.

Glenn was born 17 June 1947 in Thief River Falls, Minnesota. He grew up in Du Quoin, the foster son of Gene and Vera and assumed the name Revelle. His education was in the Du Quoin Grade and High Schools and briefly in Sesser High School. After high school, he joined the United States Marines during the Vietnam War. After training he was immediately sent to Da Nang, South Vietnam, where on 11 September 1967, at the age of 20, he was killed when an ammunition depot was bombed. Gene was on a job near Karachi, Pakistan when he was notified of his foster son's death. Lance Corporal Glenn U. Revelle was laid to rest with full military honors in Sunset Memorial Park.

Gene returned to Pakistan. He and Vera had divorced in 1964. He continued with Chicago Bridge and Iron in the Middle East, Turkey, Italy and Ireland. He retired in 1982 and since then has lived in Sesser, Illinois. *Submitted by Eunice Ritter.*

## REVELLE-BOILLOT

Major Axum and Elsie Martel Revelle's first son, Howard Martel, was born 30 June 1909 and grew up near Sunfield, Illinois (see Revelle-Martel

histories in Volumes I and II). After graduating from Du Quoin High School, he studied business at Speedway Business School and Washington University in St. Louis, then began working for the Federal Land Bank in St. Louis.



Howard and Edna Revelle 1998.

At his brother Elmer's wedding, he met Edna Laverne Boillot, the sister of Elmer's bride, Mabel, and daughter of Floyd and Nancy Wingate Boillot of Sandy Hook, Missouri. They married on 09 December 1939. To this union, three sons were born, Melvyn Dale, Donald Warren, and Howard Boillot. Soon after Dale was born, Howard was called to service in World War II. Inducted into the Army in St. Louis, he served in the South Pacific. After the war, he found a life profession working for Production Credit Association in the Ottawa and Morris, Illinois area. By the time Howard B. "Sonny" arrived the family was living in rural Ottawa, Illinois. The boys attended the local school, graduated from Serena High School, and each pursued higher education.

While performing in a school play at Eureka College, Dale met Sharon Kimple. They married on 03 July 1965. To this union two sons were born, Christopher Dale and Nicholas James. The family settled in Eureka, Illinois where Dale had a State Farm Insurance Agency and Sharon entered the teaching and library science profession. Christmas 1982 found Dale being diagnosed with cancer which took his life within three months. Sharon continued working and rearing their boys. Chris, following his mother's profession, is finishing a Masters of English and Library Science degree, and Nick, after serving his country in the Air Force, is also attending college.

Donald graduated from Illinois State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Education. He married Anita Kirchner on 02 January 1971 in Seneca, Illinois. Don found a life career with State Farm Insurance and lives in Lexington, Illinois. They were blessed with a daughter, Sara Elizabeth, in 1975. In 1985 Anita decided to further her education and graduated with a Bachelor and Masters Degree in history from Illinois State University. They became an Illinois State Legacy Family when Sara graduated from Illinois State University in 1997. The Howard Revelle family continues to grow with the birth of their first great grandchild, Brennan Samuel Compton on 30 March 1996.

Howard B. "Sonny" served his country in the Air Force for four years, then graduated from the University of Missouri in St. Louis. Like his father, he met his bride-to-be at a wedding, and married Karen Ann Gilbert of St. Louis 30 September 1972. They settled in St. Louis to raise three children, Jill Marie, Douglas Gilbert, and Monica Dale. Howard B. later moved his family to Tampa,

Florida, where he has ownership in a school bus dealership. Karen assists him in the business. Jill is studying journalism at the University of Missouri, while Douglas and Monica are finishing basic education in Tampa.

In 1990 Howard and Edna moved to Lexington, Illinois to be closer to their son, Don and family. Their daughter-in-law, Sharon, has married a Lexington farmer, Gary Dameron, allowing much of the Howard M. Revelle family to be close together once again.

## REVELLE-BOILLOT

Elmer Axum Revelle was the fourth offspring, born 09 December 1911, of Major Axum Revelle (1875-1962) and Elsie Martel Revelle (1882-1968) and grandson of Axum Major Revelle (1834-1936) and Susan Alice Maclin Revelle (1840-1917) (see Revelle-Martel histories in Volumes I and II).



Elmer Axum and Mabel Boillot Revelle, December 1995.

After graduating from Du Quoin High School in 1928 and Speedway Business School in St. Louis, Missouri, Elmer was employed in March 1930 by Woods Brothers Construction Company of Lincoln, Nebraska, for a job on the Missouri River at St. Charles, Missouri. He worked for them in various clerical and supervisory jobs on the Missouri and Mississippi rivers until the end of 1936 when he was recruited for a position at a new chemical plant in Lake Charles, Louisiana.

In May, 1935, Elmer was sent to the small town of Sandy Hook, Missouri, to supervise a job, and found room and board at the home of Floyd E. and Nancy K. Wingate Boillot. Their second daughter, Mabel Irene, was just graduating from high school in California, Missouri. She and Elmer spent most of the evenings together until August when he was transferred to a job in Nebraska. Their romance continued by correspondence and occasional visits. On 29 August 1937, Elmer married Mabel Irene, born 16 March 1917, who was then a school teacher. Their attendants were Elmer's brother, Howard, and Mabel's sister, Edna. This sparked another romance, and two years later, Howard and Edna were married.

Elmer and Mabel settled in Lake Charles, Louisiana where his position with Olin Chemical Corporation had taken him. Here their three daughters were born, Carole Louise, 30 April 1939, Nancy Janet, 13 July 1940, and Elsie Gaye, 24 August 1944. All three graduated from Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

Carole earned a Ph.D. in Psychology at the University of Illinois and teaches at California Baptist College in Riverside. On 05 September 1964, she married Barry Arnold of Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. With a Ph.D. from Stanford



University, Barry is a Professor of Statistics at the University of California in Riverside. They have two children-Theresa Arnold (Gilbert) and Darrel Paul Arnold, and three grandchildren-Gregory, Shawn and Sabrina Gilbert.

Nancy has a Journalism degree, and for a time worked for a large oil company, producing their company magazine. She married Carrol Newbrough, of La Mesa, Texas, 22 January 1966. Carrol has retired from a long Engineering and Corporate Planning career in the oil industry in Houston. They are the parents of two daughters, Christy Gaye and Jennifer Lee Newbrough. Nancy and Carrol are actively involved in Christian and civic work.

Gaye finished college with a degree in Psychology and held a position as Administrative Assistant for a major corporation. On 13 April 1968, she married Richard Landry who is a Family Practice Physician in Lake Charles. They have four daughters-Laurel Landry (Carleton), Wendy Landry (Lechtenberg), Leslie Michelle Landry, and Kelly Lynne Landry. Gaye and Richard are also deeply involved in Christian and civic work.

After a forty year career with the same company in which he rose to the corporate level, Elmer retired 01 January 1977. He and Mabel are active members of the Trinity Baptist Church in Lake Charles, where for many years Elmer has served as deacon and church treasurer and Mabel as a Sunday School teacher. Last year they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

## REVELLE-KRUMLINDE

Glenn Marlow Revelle, born 22 March 1922, was the fourth son and youngest of the eight children of Axum and Elsie Martel Revelle (see Revelle-Martel histories in Volumes I and II). He attended Sunfield School, where his lower grades teacher was Miss Alta Thimmig and for upper grades, Harley Quillman. Later Alta and Harley became Mr. and Mrs. Harley Quillman.



*Gary Revelle, Pamela Townsend, Glenn Revelle, Louann Revelle, and Michele Rothlisberger-1996.*

A few months after Glenn graduated from Du Quoin High School, World War II began. He worked at a defense plant in St. Louis until he was inducted into the Army in October 1942. After training, he was sent to the European war theater where he served in the Field Artillery of General Patton's Third Army through the Battle of the Bulge. When the war ended, he returned home to Du Quoin, Illinois then moved to Joliet, Illinois. There he began a forty-year career as a long distance truck driver.

In 1959, in Morris, Illinois, he married Kathryn Louann Krumlinde Townsend of Lockport, Illinois. Born 11 January 1926, she was the daughter of Frank A. and Vera Upper

Krumlinde. Frank was born in Sydney, Australia in 1885, moved to Scone, Sweden as a young boy and came to New York in 1901. He was a Vaudeville Actor and came to Joliet, Illinois to perform in the famous Rialto Theater. While there he met Vera Upper, who was born in Thorold, Ontario, Canada in 1900 and brought to Lockport as an infant. Frank and Vera married, and settled in Lockport, where Louann and her brothers Robert and Donald were born.

Glenn and Louann Revelle also settled in Lockport to raise three children-Pamela Ann Townsend, born 19 July 1950, Glenna Michele, born 07 July 1960, and Gary Clayton, 09 April 1965. All three were educated in the local grade school and graduated from Lockport Central High School.

Pamela entered health care work soon after high school. She was involved in sports and for several years, played on a softball team. She has spent a career of twenty-seven years working as a technician at Silver Cross Hospital in Joliet, Illinois. She lives in Lockport.

Michele has had her own business fitting eye glasses for the past sixteen years. She owns and operates Vision Gallery in Joliet. On 17 January 1991 in Kauai, Hawaii, she married William Rothlisberger of Lockport. Bill is a real estate agent.

Gary has a unique place in the family of Axum and Elsie Revelle. While his father, Glenn, is their youngest child, Gary is the youngest grandchild. Gary works as a carpenter and truck driver. On 04 July 1997 in Dillon, Colorado, he married Amy Davis of Manhattan, Illinois. Amy does clerical work in Joliet.

In 1983, Glenn and Louann moved to Memphis, Tennessee, where Glenn retired in 1991. They now divide their time between Memphis and the Lockport area where their children live.

## REVELLE-MARTEL

Major Axum Revelle was the son of Axum Major Revelle (1834-1936) and Susan Maclin Revelle (1840-1917), interred in Nine Mile Cemetery. Axum Major had migrated to Du Quoin, Illinois, from western Tennessee in 1863, after serving a term in the Confederate Army. About the same time, Alice Maclin left Tennessee with her parents, Isaac and Eliza P. Farmer Maclin, and brothers and sister. Money from the sale of their property was secured in a money belt which Alice wore beneath her petticoats, as the family traveled under protection of Union soldiers until they safely boarded a flat boat which took them to Cairo, Illinois. They then traveled by wagon to Du Quoin, Illinois. In 1865 Axum Major Revelle and Susan Alice Maclin married and later settled on a farm one mile west of Sunfield, Illinois. Here their son, Major Axum was born 28 September 1875.

Axum had four sisters-Eliza, who never married, Annie Kirkpatrick, Alice Richardson, and Bettie Dry. He attended Sunfield School, but quit at age twelve to take a full time job driving a delivery wagon for the Company Store owned by the Sunfield Coal Company. Later he became the storekeeper, buying and selling all the merchandise for the Company. He then worked in the mine, and as a coal salesman, traveling by train from Du Quoin through central and northern Illinois. In 1903, he became part of a group who sank and developed a new mine at Sunfield, which later became the Bailey Brothers Mine.

On 09 October 1904, Axum married Elsie Lou Martel, born 08 July 1882, a schoolteacher who lived in the Bear Point Community in Franklin County, Illinois, the daughter of Oscar Martel (1857-1951) and Elnora Hargett Martel (1860-1944), interred in Sesser City Cemetery. Axum and Elsie settled on a farm half a mile west of Sunfield and started their family of eight children. Six are now living. Evalyn Madge died in infancy and is interred in Nine Mile Cemetery. Elnora Alice Shurtz, born 20 July 1905, died 18 March 1996, is interred in Mitchell Cemetery near Sesser, Illinois. Living are Howard Martel, born 30 June 1909, Elmer Axum, born 09 December 1911, Verda Lou Stevison, born 01 September 1914, Eugene Maclin, born 03 June 1917, Eunice Kathryn Ritter, born 07 December 1919, and the youngest, born 22 March 1922, was named Glenn Marlow for Dr. J. T. Marlow of Tamaroa, Illinois who had delivered all eight of Elsie and Axum's babies.



*Major Axum and Elsie Lou Revelle, 1904.*

Through the years, Axum worked as a coal miner, coal salesman, licensed Mine Examiner, Mine Manager, and farmer. He and Elsie were active members of Nine Mile Baptist Church, where he served as a deacon many years and she, as Sunday School teacher.

Their grandchildren are Hilda Walker, Wayne Shurtz (deceased), Eleanor Painter and Frank Shurtz, children of Elnora Revelle Shurtz; Dale Revelle (deceased), Donald and Howard B. Revelle, sons of Howard Revelle; Carole Arnold, Nancy Newbrough and Gaye Landry, daughters of Elmer Revelle; Marilyn Velasco, daughter of Verda Revelle Stevison; Glenn U. Revelle, who gave his life in Vietnam, foster son of Eugene Revelle; Melody Douglas, daughter of Eunice Revelle Ritter; Pamela Townsend, Michele Rothlisberger, and Gary Revelle, children of Glenn M. Revelle.

Axum died 18 April 1962, and Elsie on 12 March 1968, with interment in Sunset Memorial Park.

## RHEINECKER-EPPLIN

Gertrude Epplin, born 07 December 1914 at Pinckneyville, the fifth child of Joe J. and Elizabeth Miller Epplin, was married 17 May 1937 at Pinckneyville to Wayne Rheinecker, born 02 January 1914 at Steeleville, Illinois, son of August and Annie V. Brand Rheinecker. They had three children: Alene, Ann Gertrude (see Volume 1, page 239), and Michael. Gertrude died before 1989 (see Epplin-Miller history).

Alene, born 18 February 1939 at Du Quoin, was married 25 November 1967 at Pinckneyville to Waldo Klingenberg, born 01 January 1941 in Oakdale Township, son of Theodore and Katherine



Lehman Klingenberg. Waldo and Alene have two sons, Kevin Theodore (born 15 September 1968 at Pinckneyville) and Brian Wayne (born 19 March 1973 at Nashville, Illinois).

Ann, born 26 November 1951 at Du Quoin, was married 04 May 1964 at Pinckneyville to Robert Eugene Mohr, born 19 April 1941 in rural Cutler, Illinois, son of Edward and Emma Walkenhorst Mohr (see Mohr-Rheinecker history on page 239 in Volume I). They have one daughter, Danette, born 26 September 1967 at Pinckneyville.

Michael, born 26 October 1944 at Red Bud, Illinois, was married 05 December 1970 at Pinckneyville, to Linda Marini, born 05 January 1947 at Tacoma, Washington, daughter of Charles and Fern Stephenson Marini. They have three children: Steven (born 05 September 1972), Jeanne (born 14 May 1974), and Laura, all born at Pinckneyville. Michael died 18 November 1983 at Pinckneyville and is buried in St. Bruno's Cemetery. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## RICE

Hiram Rice's tombstone states he was 65 years, 6 months and 17 days old when he died. Many times these numbers are not accurate but if they are, figuring back from his date of death, he would have been born 12 March 1805. His parents were Hiram and Anna (Hutchings) Rice whose origins are unknown with rumors including Virginia and the Carolinas but nothing proven. They were in Robertson County, Tennessee when they died. Hiram Rice's paternal grandparents were James and Alice (Hix/Hicks) Rice. This James is listed in the DAR and was living in Logan County, Kentucky when he died. This is right across the border from Robertson County, Kentucky.

Hiram's first wife's name is not verified but a researcher in the early 1900s thought she might also have been a Rice, no verification. They had one known child, George W. P. Rice (article in this book). Details are sketchy but apparently something happened to Hiram's first wife. Hiram ended up in Perry County, Illinois and George apparently stayed with his grandparents Hiram and Anna Rice in Tennessee. George later ended up in Perry County also.

Hiram's second wife was Mary Ann Hutchings. According to her tombstone, she was born 16 May 1811. Her parents were John and Susannah (Youree/Yource) Hutchings. Around 1816/17 Mary Ann came with her parents and her Uncle William and Aunt Celia Hutchings (article in this book) in a covered wagon to the Illinois Territory to what would later become Perry County.

Hiram and Mary Ann were married 25 December 1827 in Perry County. Theirs was the second marriage license issued in the county. It is not known what all Hiram did but his probate showed horses, cattle and farming utensils. He died 29 September 1870 in Perry County. Mary Ann, according to her tombstone, died 13 December 1894. Both are buried in the Round Prairie Cemetery (have also seen it as Goldman Cemetery), Perry County.

Hiram and Mary Ann's known children, although there may be others, order unknown, are: Gilbert S., Alexander, John W., Thomas J., Mary C., Marion Jackson and James. Do not confuse this Thomas J. Rice with Hiram's grandson also named Thomas J. Rice (article in this book). *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke.*

## RICE-FULTON

Thomas "Tom" Jefferson Rice was born 31 January 1851/52 near Round Prairie, Perry County, Illinois to George Washington Perrin and Minerva Catherine (Hutchings) Rice (article in this book).



*Tom and Nancy Rice.*

Nancy Romane Fulton (sometimes called "Rome") was born 01 January 1858 in Ohio (possibly Gallia County). According to her marriage certificate, her parents were James H. and Mary A. (Viers) Fulton who later lived in Perry County. Do not confuse them with a James A. and Mary A. Fulton family living in the Lost Prairie area, Perry County. Another researcher thought Nancy's parents were Harvey and Ruth Fulton. It is unknown where this information came from.

Tom and Nancy married 10 October 1880 in Perry County. Tom was a farmer. Later records show, at one time, he was a section foreman on the railroad. Tom played the fiddle. He played at wedding dances and things and could play up a storm. He loved to play for his grandchildren and tell them stories. Tom Rice united with the Missionary Baptist Church now known as Cross Baptist Church.

Nancy died 01 April 1907 in Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois. Tom was married twice after Nancy died. Tom died 11 June 1928 in Tamaroa. Tom and Nancy are buried in the Round Prairie Cemetery (have heard it called Goldman Cemetery), Perry County.

They had six children with two daughters dying in infancy. Their order of birth is unknown.

Charles Rice (1882-1932) is buried in Tamaroa Cemetery. He first married Nellie and had Ralph Rice and Winnie Rice Anderson. Charles married second Julie.

Lanora Ann Rice Hutchings (01 May 1888-02 August 1954) (article in this book).

Lola Henrietta Rice (08 September 1893-24 May 1972) is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery. She married Harry West and had Kenneth West, Arthur West, Mary "Faye" West Opp, and Robert West.

Vida "Grace" Rice (11 May 1895-13 August 1957) is buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery. She married Whitsel H. Smith who already had a daughter, Pearl Smith Barrett, by his first wife. Grace and Whitsel's children are Jewell Smith Ahlers, Billy Dean Smith, Stanley Smith, and Betty Smith Hill. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke.*

## RICE-HUTCHINGS

George W. P. Rice, according to hearsay only, no verification, is said to have been born 07 April 1826 in Robertson County, Tennessee. An early researcher thought his middle initials might stand

for Washington Perrin. George's father was Hiram Rice (article in this book). Details are sketchy but it is believed that something happened to George's mother. His father came to Perry County, Illinois and remarried and George lived with his paternal grandparents, Hiram and Anna (Hutchings) Rice, in Robertson County, Tennessee. Sometime later, George also came to Perry County.

George married Minerva Catherine Hutchings on 07 December 1848 in Perry County, Illinois. Minerva's parents were John R. and Delilah (Jones) Hutchings (article in this book). It is unsure what all else he did but G. W. P. Rice was issued a license "to peddle goods wares & merchandize in this County for the Term of twelve months, commencing on the third day of February 1853" for which he paid five dollars. George died on 04 January 1962 in Perry County. Minerva later remarried Alfred Taylor.

George and Minerva's known children, although they may have had others, order unknown are: Sarah Jane (Rice) Uhles, Mary Ann (Rice) Cross, Thomas Jefferson Rice (article in this book), Delilah Elizabeth (Rice) Morgan and George Washington Rice. *Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke.*

## RICE-SCHMALRIEDE

Clara P. Schmalriede, born 02 March 1900 at Pinckneyville, the sixth child of Christian T. and Katharine Laufer Schmalriede, was married 06 January 1923 at Pinckneyville to Herbert Douglas Rice, born 21 December 1903 at Tamaroa, son of Douglas and Martha Loucks Rice. Clara was baptised 27 May 1900 and confirmed in 1914 at St. Paul Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. Herbert and Clara had three children: Ina, Fred, and Ruth. Clara P. died 10 August 1944 at Tamaroa and is buried in Campbell Cemetery.

Ina, born 09 September 1923 at Pinckneyville, was married 07 August 1940 at Perryville, Missouri to Harold W. Chapman, born 16 June 1921 at Tamaroa, son of Oliver and Harriet Lynch Chapman. They had three children: Jerry, Gayle, and Cindy.

Jerry, born 17 December 1941 at Tamaroa, was married 31 January 1961 at Oakdale to Sharon Coulter, born 08 September 1943 at Oakdale, daughter of Stanley and Virginia McClay Coulter. They have four children: Jeffrey (born 12 September 1962), Rodney (born 14 October 1964), Traci Lynne (born 16 August 1966), and Heather (born 23 August 1972). All four children were born in Pinckneyville.

Gayle, born 09 March 1952 at Du Quoin, was married 28 August 1971 at Pinckneyville to Michael D. Cox, born 09 March 1952 at Pana, Illinois, son of Charles and Beulah McCart Cox. Their two children are Shane (born 29 November 1973) and Jeremy (born 10 October 1976). Both children were born in Decatur, Illinois.

Cindy, born 07 June 1953 at Du Quoin, was married 08 July 1972 at Pinckneyville to Ronald Holloway, born 08 September 1945 at Pinckneyville, son of Clifford and Wanda Keene Holloway. They have a daughter, Megan Sue, born 25 June 1975 at Pinckneyville.

Fred, born 13 August 1924 at Pinckneyville, was first married 21 October 1944 at Murphysboro to Leah Irene Eldridge, born 31 December 1924 at Cutler, Illinois, daughter of Mizra and Irene A. Leonard Eldridge. They have one son, Roger L., born 07 July 1947 at Newport News, Virginia.



Roger was married 30 August 1967 at Pinckneyville to Judith Ann McCollum, born 29 February 1948 at Du Quoin, a daughter of Max H. and Margaret Owens McCollum. They had three children: Kathi L. (born 20 October 1968 at Pinckneyville; died 21 September 1972); Billie Christine (born 12 August 1973 at Chester, Illinois); and Karen Sue (born 02 November 1975 at Chester, Illinois).

Fred was married second 03 February 1952 at Sault Ste Marie, Michigan to Anna Van Allen, born 25 October 1925 at Three Rivers, Michigan, daughter of John H. and Nettie Wolfinger Van Allen. They have one child, Catherine May.

Catherine May, born 05 May 1959 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was married 12 April at Fort Wayne, Indiana to Ronald Lee Nichols, born 11 June 1949 at National City, son of George and Louise Anscomb Nichols. They have one son, Ronald Lee Jr., born 14 November 1977 at Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Ruth married Stone. *Submitted and written by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## RICHERSON-PUGH

On 06 January 1900 a boy named Joseph Lester was born to Jake and Amanda (Craig) Richerson. Later on 04 July 1900 a girl named Rose Marie was born to Charles and Ida (Alvis) Pugh. These two children were married on 17 September 1916. Joe began working in the coal mines at the age of 15.

On 13 June 1917 their first daughter was born. She was named Erma Elizabeth. Later she married Raymond "Tick" McClanahan and they had seven children named Raymond Edward, Glenna Marie, Joseph Bruce, Terry Douglas, Linda Lou, Steven Kent and Timmy Nils. Erma passed away in 1976.

On 19 April 1919 another daughter named Genevieve Elaine was born. She later married Morris Eaton and they became the parents of five children whose names are Carole Kay, Marsha Rae, Donna Faye, Morris Edward and Tara Jo. Morris Edward passed away in 1996 and Genevieve passed away in 1997.

On 21 October 1926 their third daughter arrived. They named her Virginia Lee. She married Lawrence Williams and they had three children named Judy Ann, Nancy Elizabeth and Lawrence Tilden. Nancy and Larry T. along with their father have passed away.

The fourth daughter was born on 13 November 1931 and was named Nancy Carole. She married Walter E. Swallers and they have three children named Connie Jean, Joseph Leslie and Tena Elaine. The last daughter named Jo Ann was born on 27 August 1935. She married Joseph Siefert and had five children named Eva Marie, Joseph Wayne (deceased), Debra Lee, Charles Frank and Carl Michael (deceased).

In 1940 Joe and family moved to northern Illinois to work in the mines. They moved back in 1945, the day their house in Du Quoin burned to the ground. They lost everything. They bounced back and moved to the country. Joe worked in the coal mines until he was killed on 04 August 1950. Marie went to work at Marshall Browning Hospital in laundry after Joe was killed. She died on 23 February 1974. This was a close and loving family.

## RITTER-BLUM

George Ritter was born on a farm in the Todd's Mill Community 13 June 1860. His parents were Christian Ritter (1833-1910) and Caroline Beck Ritter (1835-1921) both of German ancestry. Christian was buried in the Todd's Mill Cemetery and Caroline in the Lost Prairie Lutheran Cemetery. George attended school very little, and as a young man moved to Pinckneyville where he worked for his uncle, Matthew (Mathias) Schneider, a carpenter. George soon became a skilled carpenter.



*George Ritter with Automobile Jack. Patented 1920.*

On 06 November 1883, he married Susanna Blum born 10 December 1863, daughter of George Blum (1820-1881) and Henrietta Jaimet Blum (1822-1883) who are buried in the Galum Presbyterian Cemetery. They had moved from Freeburg, Illinois, and settled south of Pinckneyville near the Brick School, which Susanna attended. This was then a wooded area, and one of her chores, as a child, was keeping the deer chased out of the garden.

George and Susanna first lived on St. Louis Avenue in Pinckneyville. Several years later they bought the Duckworth home located on a large tract on County Road. George divided the tract into lots and began building and selling houses. When this became part of the Ritter Addition to Pinckneyville, he gave Ritter Street the family name and named Elizabeth Street for his young daughter.

In the early 1900s George started a concrete business. He developed and patented a high quality concrete block and a machine for its manufacture. Ritter Blocks were widely used in Pinckneyville and the surrounding area. Many prominent homes and buildings still standing were built by George Ritter. He also built the block wall in front of the Pinckneyville City Cemetery. Now, after nearly 100 years, Ritter Blocks, known for their high quality, are being salvaged from old dismantled buildings in landfills and put to use. George also manufactured patented cast granite grave monuments, concrete tiles, coping, and well curbs. He held several other patents, including a folding ironing board, a water filter used to purify cistern water, and an automobile jack that lifted the entire car.

In 1922 George built a new house for Susanna who had borne fifteen children. Six died in infancy. Of the nine who grew to adulthood, seven are now deceased—Lena Catron (1886-1969), Elizabeth Ullrich (1889-1965), William Ritter (1890-1976), operator of Ritter Cleaners, Charles Ritter (1896-1940), gifted musician and Pinckneyville City Band Leader, George "Pete" Ritter (1900-1972), Loretta Koenegstein (1903-1988), and Leo Ritter (1907-1991), operator of

Ritter Coal Company. Living are Marcella Terry, born 25 August 1903, twin sister of Loretta, and Gertrude Hammack, born 17 August 1898. We hope to celebrate her 100th birthday in August of 1998.

Note: Volume I of the History of Perry County (1988) contained a printing error in identifying the grandchildren of George and Susanna Blum Ritter. The following paragraph gives correct identification.

The grandchildren of George and Susanna are Frank, George, and Dale Ullrich, deceased, and Gertrude Neuberger, Elizabeth Bessinger, and James Ullrich, living, children of Elizabeth Ritter Ullrich; Charles "Teeter" Ritter, Evelyn Patterson, Dorothy Elliott, and Jimmie Ritter, all deceased, children of William Ritter; Donald and Robert Ritter and Patricia Price, children of Charles Ritter; Billie Koenegstein and Sylvia Eaton, children of Loretta Ritter Koenegstein; Robert Terry, who lost his life in World War II, and Kenneth Terry, sons of Marcella Ritter Terry; Virginia Klingenberg, deceased and Natalie Rottet, Leola Rushing, and Melody Douglas, M.D., daughters of Leo Ritter.

George Ritter died 27 March 1935, and Susanna 10 May 1967, with interment in Mueller Hill Cemetery.

## RITTER-DOUGLAS

Melody Joy Ritter was born 02 July 1950, at the Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois, to Leo Joseph and Eunice Revelle Ritter. In a few days her parents brought her home to Pinckneyville, the little Perry County town she has always been proud to call home. Her grandparents were George and Susanna Blum Ritter and Axum and Elsie Martel Revelle (see Ritter-Blum and Revelle-Martel histories in Volumes I and II). Leo Ritter was a small strip coal mine operator and Eunice Revelle was an elementary school teacher.



*Dr. Melody Joy Ritter and Dr. James R. Douglas Jr.*

Melody attended Pinckneyville Grade and High Schools, and was a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Stanford University in Palo Alto, California, with degrees in Human Biology and Music, but returned to "Cardinal Country" for medical school at Washington University in St. Louis, completing the M. D. degree in 1977. There she met James R. Douglas Jr. of Memphis, Tennessee.

James R. Douglas Jr. was born 19 January 1949, in Giessen, Germany. His father, James R. Douglas Sr., born 24 November 1922, grew up in St. Louis, Missouri. He was a graduate of Westminster College in Fulton, Missouri and Washington University School of Dentistry. While serving with the Military Dental Clinic at Keesler Army Air Base in the post World War II era, he married Frances Prims, born 01 December 1924, near Gulfport, Mississippi. He was soon



transferred to Occupied Germany where James Jr. was born. After being back in the States a few years, the family settled in Memphis, Tennessee, where Jim graduated from White Station High School. A Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Dartmouth College, with a degree in Chemistry, he completed a Ph. D. in Pharmacology and the M. D. degree at Washington University. Melody and Jim were married 18 August 1979. Both did all of their post-graduate training at Alton Ochsner Medical Foundation, a multi-specialty clinic and hospital and now a National Organ Transplant Center in New Orleans. Melody has full board certification in Internal Medicine, Cardiology, Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine, and has used all areas of training serving as Medical Director of the Intensive Care Unit and the Ambulatory Surgical Unit, and Staff Anesthesiologist at Ochsner. Jim, with board certification in Anesthesiology and Critical Care Medicine is Chairman of Ochsner's Department of Anesthesia, which includes approximately seventy-five physician, anesthesiologist, nursing, and technical personnel. Both are involved in the teaching of anesthesiologists in training through Ochsner's Residency in Anesthesiology Program, of which Dr. Douglas is the Director.



Leo J. Ritter 1977.

Dr. Ritter and Dr. Douglas live in Kenner, Louisiana, a suburb of New Orleans, where both are involved in numerous church and civic activities. Melody serves as Music Director of the University City Baptist Church in Kenner, where she actively uses her love of piano, flute and singing. She was recently installed as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Northern Baptist Theological Seminary in Lombard, Illinois. Currently, she serves as president of the Chateau Estates Garden Club that promotes beautification in the City of Kenner and supports various philanthropic causes. Jim uses advanced computer and electronic skills to assist in the music ministry at University City Baptist Church, and to support continuing education at Ochsner Medical Institutions. He is a past president of the State of Louisiana Heart Association.

On 08 December 1991, Melody's father died at age 84. Six months later, on 12 April 1992, Jim's mother passed away at age 67.

## ROACH

Ralph E. "Tiny" Roach was born 23 December 1909 in Du Quoin, the second son of Charles and Allie (Swallers) Roach. As was very typical of young men in the 1920s, he quit school after the eighth grade to go to work in the coal mines. In his youth Ralph was small for his age and was nicknamed "Tiny", but as he grew to be over six feet tall, friends shortened the name to

"Tine". He spent many years working in various coal mines in the vicinity. During summers Tiny and his brother, Joe, played amateur and minor league baseball.

In 1932 Ralph married Ivo Golliher Barnfield.

In 1943 Tiny was inducted into the United States Navy where he served until the end of World War II as a deep sea diver. Upon returning to Du Quoin he went back to the coal mines where he worked until he became a Du Quoin Police Officer during the 1950s.

In December 1957 Tine and Ivo adopted a son, Tim, who now resides in Nashville, Illinois. Tim also served in the United States Navy.

Tiny was elected as City Commissioner twice. He served as Police and Fire Commissioner from 1969 to 1973 and then served as Street Commissioner from 1973 to 1977.

In May 1977 Ivo passed away following a lengthy illness. A few years later Tine remarried, purchased a mobile home, and took his new wife, Ruth, in search of the best fishing places they could locate. Tiny and Ruth traveled across the country and finally settled in Nashville, Illinois where he passed away very suddenly in March 1988.

Many old-timers in Du Quoin have their favorite tales involving Tiny Roach. He was a very generous, prominent man of the people.

## ROACH-SRONCE

Joseph H. Roach was born 29 September 1907 in Du Quoin, the elder son of Charles G. and Allie (Swallers) Roach. He left school at a very early age to work in the area coal mines, but always found time during the spring and summer to play baseball. Friends remember seeing Joe and his brother, Tiny, playing for the local Coca Cola amateur team, then later for the Jacksonville Athletics minor league team. In February 1940 Joe signed a contract to officiate as umpire in the Kitty League, following his training as an umpire. He met and worked with several dignitaries of baseball, including Bob Feller, Dizzy Dean, Gabby Street, and many others.



Joseph H. Roach.

On 08 April 1925 Joe married Ruby Lucille Sronce. They had four children: Thomas Edward (born 08 December 1928; died 29 May 1975 in Capron, Illinois), Carlisle Ray (born 02 July 1931), Barbara Jean (born 15 October 1933), and Conrad Eugene (born 24 September 1935).

Carlisle, his son, Carlisle Jr., and their families, as well as Conrad and his family still make Du Quoin their home. Barbara married and lives with her family in St. Louis.

With the outbreak of World War II, Joe continued to umpire and work in the local mines until 1942, when he was employed by the Federal

Government to work on the Alaskan Highway, once known as the AlCan Highway, which was to be used as a route for military supplies. He went to Canada with a few other men from the area. During this time his only brother, Ralph ("Tiny"), was inducted into the Navy. When the men returned from Alaska most of them returned to the coal mines.

On 25 August 1944 Joe was killed in a mining accident at Truax-Traer Coal Company in De Soto, Illinois. He was 36 years old. Ruby died 01 September 1976.

## ROBB-MILLER

James Henry Robb (22 October 1920) was born in Lost Prairie about five miles south of Swanwick, Illinois to Walter Dean and Gertrude E. (Heinike) Robb. He attended West Side and Ireland Schools. His father died when he was about nine years old. His mother, brother (Paul Clayton Robb; born 09 October 1922), and sister (Minerva Ann; born 22 June 1924) went to live with James' grandfather, Henry Heinike, until he married.



James Henry and Thelma Robb.

On 16 June 1941 he married Thelma Lucille Miller, daughter of Jake Philip (Mueller) and Zelma Katherine (Miller) Miller. She attended Swanwick Grade School. She was raised on a farm about one mile south of Swanwick, between Lost Prairie Road and Snapdragon Road-now Donald Hill's home. Thelma, her sister, Katherine and her second daughter, Jane, was born on this farm. Her oldest daughter, Joan, was born in her grandparents' home at the next house, which was the Miller Farm in late 1800s and early 1900s.

James was employed by the Jet Oil Company for several years. His family and he operated a custom baling, dairy and rotation grain crops farm south of Swanwick on what is now Columbine Road.

Their four children went to Swanwick Grade School and Pinckneyville High School.

To this union were born five children: Joan Lucille (30 July 1943), Jane Kathern (03 January 1945), Stephen Phillip (06 January 1946), Judy Mae (18 February 1947-19 June 1947), and David Walter (05 December 1949).

Joan Lucille married Paul Thomas Adams (14 October 1941) on 16 June 1962. To this union were born: Raymond James Adams (13 May 1963); Paula Joan (27 June 1964) who married David Wayne Lynch 25 June 1988; and Paul Thomas II (04 June 1974).

Jane Kathern married Larry Schuetz (15 April 1947). To this union were born: Michelle Renee' (20 September 1970) who married Mark McCarty (23 December 1968) on 28 January 1990. Michelle and Mark have a son, Sean Michael born



08 April 1996; Jennifer Kay (11 June 1974) who married Donald R. Luper (13 January 1966) on 21 September 1996 and have Seth and baby; and Rodney Aaron (08 August 1979).

Steven Phillip married Clara Ann McKinstry (06 May 1947) and had: Shannon P. (06 January 1971) who married Heather Michelle Sewell (16 March 1974) on 21 December 1993; and Angela (09 March 1976) who married Kenneth Steffens on 10 April 1998.

David Walter married Judith Ann Gutjahr (15 December 1950) on 18 October 1969. They had two sons: Clayton James (14 October 1881) and Travis Matthew (31 August 1984). David died from a farm accident on 12 July 1993.

James Henry passed away on 09 December 1988 following a long bout with kidney failure.

James Henry's mother was a member of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in Coulterville where she tried to get him involved. His family was baptized there. His wife, Thelma, is a member of the Grandcote Reformed Presbyterian Church in Coulterville and she attended the Swanwick United Presbyterian Church in her childhood. *Submitted by Joan Adams.*

## ROBERTS-MARLOW

Joseph Thomas Roberts was born 27 December 1861 in Stockton, Jo Daviess County, Illinois. He was the son of John Sr. and Elizabeth (Roberts) Roberts. John and Elizabeth came from Wendron Parish, Cornwall County, England in 1846 to New York then to Pennsylvania for two years then settled in Jo Daviess County in 1848. John Roberts served in the Civil War's Forty-Eighth Regiment 22 November 1864 and was mustered out 15 August 1866. He went for a man that could not serve, probably his oldest son who was raising two small daughters on his own.



*Joseph Thomas and Myrtle Elizabeth Marlow Roberts.*

Joseph Thomas grew up in Jo Daviess County with two brothers and three sisters getting a good education. My father claimed he could speak five different languages. He played in a band with seven cousins. He played the organ and other musical instruments for a hobby. He was a horticulturist and farmer.

Joseph Thomas is first found in Perry County in the 1900 Perry County Federal Census in Beaucoup Township, Tamaroa. Other members lived in this area but most returned to Jo Daviess County.

On 25 November 1896 in Perry County he married Myrtle Elizabeth Marlow (born 11 July 1882), the daughter of Samuel Daniel and Louisa (Bridges) Marlow. Joseph and Myrtle had eight children: John (1899-1902); Grace Leona (1900-1969) who married Henry Dunson and had six children; baby Roberts, unnamed (1902-1902);

Joseph Benton (1903-1988) who married Dorothy Lucille Rice and had thirteen children (see related histories in this book); William Henry (1905-1985) who married Nellie Dennis-they had no children; Teddy Bryan (1906-1976) who married Mildred Ford and had one son; Frank Raymond (1908-1970) who married Pearl Ballheimer and had two sons; George Leevern (or Washington) (1912-1985) who first married Alberta Dameron (they had no children) and secondly to Hattie Omer (they had one daughter).

Joseph Thomas at one time owned property east of Tamaroa where the Mulkey Grove Cemetery now lies. He also lived on the Haines Flower Farm in 1929. He bought out his brother-in-law's (Harry Marlow) teaming interest to haul freight in 1923. In 1928 Joseph Thomas was voted on as Police Magistrate by write-in vote and lost by only two votes to William Taylor.

I have been told Joseph Thomas was a tall, stately gentleman, was very kind and well liked by most that knew him. He liked peppermint candy.

On 13 February 1938 Joseph passed away from a heart condition at the Anna State Hospital. His wife, Myrtle, passed away 01 August 1969. Both are interred at the Antioch Cemetery in Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois. *Submitted by Alice Jane Roberts Dorsey (grand daughter).*

## ROBERTS-RICE

Joseph Benton Roberts was born 09 June 1903 in Tamaroa, Illinois. He was the son of Joseph Thomas and Myrtle Elizabeth (Marlow) Roberts. Joseph had six brothers and one sister growing up with him in the Tamaroa area.



*(front) Janet, David, Richard Miller; (2nd row) Alice, Wilma, Dorothy (mother), Fred, Kenneth (being held by Bill), (back) Opal, JoAnn Roberts-1950.*

Joseph grew up with little education but with as much as most children his age. In later life he took an interest in automobiles and a desire to further his education. He enrolled in The International Correspondence School in Scranton, Pennsylvania for Automobile Mechanics. He finished on 21 February 1923. He then went to work for Mr. Roulivish's Garage in Tamaroa. According to the Tamaroa Times Newspaper. He became a well-liked and popular young man around Tamaroa. He was elected the first fire chief there at the age of twenty years old, giving up that position soon afterwards.

Joseph had moved a house in sections from Sesser to the south edge of Tamaroa where he made a home for his father and mother until their deaths. His father died 13 February 1938 and his mother on 01 August 1969. Joseph and his wife, Dorothy, moved into the house to care for his ailing mother until her death. Joseph and Dorothy lived there

until Dorothy's death in 1985 and he could no longer live alone. In 1987 he moved in with a family member.

Joseph and his wife moved to Du Quoin in the early 1930s until the 1960s so he could be closer to his employment. He worked for the Sims Motor Sales in Du Quoin in the early 1920s and would tell of putting the first Model Ts together. They were shipped in crates by train from Sears, Roebuck and Company, taken to the Ford garage, assembled by him, then sold. After the Depression he worked as a coal miner for the Ritter Coal Company for several years. When it closed he worked for the Joleanna Coal Company in Vergennes, Illinois. When it closed he went back being a mechanic. He worked for Sims Motor Sales for a very short time then worked for the United Electric Farms. He then joined the Rodely Farm Equipment Company. He worked there for several years-well past retirement. Joseph was a very devoted employee and a law-abiding citizen.



*Joseph Benton and Dorothea Lucille Rice Roberts.*

On 21 March 1928 he married Dorothy Lucille Rice in Jackson County, Illinois. She was the daughter of James Henry and Pearl Mayme (Cashion) Rice. Dorothy had lived some of her young life in Tamaroa where she met Joseph.

Joseph and Dorothy had thirteen children: Opal Lorene (1929-1988) who married James Samples and had four sons; Virginia May (1930-1930); Helen Lucille (1932-1949); Wilma Irene (1935) who married George Zettler and had two children; Dorothy Jo Ann (1936) who first married Willard Russell Walker and one daughter and second to Ricardo Castro; Billy Gene (1938) who first married Judy Joslin (they had no children) and second to Anna Marie Vitale and had one daughter and third to Wilma Bower and had two sons; Bobby Dean (1938-1938) (Billy and Bobby were twins); Alice Jane (1939) who married Robert Dean Dorsey and had three children; Freddy Ray (1941) who first married Marva Jo Marlow and had two children (and one step-daughter), second to Mary Bland (they had no children), and third to Barbara Whittiker (they had no children); Janet Loretta (1943) who married Samuel Joseph Davis and had three children; James Thomas (1943-1943) (Janet and James were twins); Marion David (1946) who married Betty Jane Knapp and had three children; and Kenneth Wayne (1950) who married Sharon Bourland and had three children.

Joseph and Dorothy had many friends and was well respected by all who let themselves become acquainted. They treated most people respectably and their home was open to anyone having a bit of bad luck or needing a little company. Their table was always large enough for anyone wanting to join in the family meal. They helped many people less fortunate than



themselves. Not so much financially but with an open heart and a helping hand. Joseph never cared for politics and very seldom went to church but read the Bible very often.

Joseph and his wife Dorothy, with four of their children and one grandchild, are interred in the Antioch Cemetery in Tamaroa, Illinois. One daughter, Opal, and one grand daughter are interred in the Tamaroa City Cemetery.

## ROBERTSON-SMITH

Billie Joe Robertson (09 December 1935-12 August 1996) moved to Southern Illinois at a young age. He was raised in Benton, Illinois. His parents were Elmer and Mina (Williams) Robertson.

In 1961 he married Vicki Smith of Du Quoin, Illinois. Her mother was Helen Hariss (09 September 1919-23 January 1997) and her stepfather was Clem Harrell (born 09 March 1922). Clem still resides in Du Quoin.

Bill and Vicki have four children: Randy Joe lives in West Frankfort and is married to Terrie Poole. They have one daughter, Amanda Jo, age 17;

Barbara JoBeth lives in Du Quoin and is married to Ronald Dale Gossman from Pinckneyville. They have three sons: Elisha Blue Arnett, age 17; Tristan Blake Hunter, age 11; and Cody William Jarrett, age 8; Billie Joe Jr. lives in Pinckneyville and has one son, Braden Michael, age 9; and Clemouth Michael Glen "Mike" still lives in Du Quoin and is presently engaged to Teresa Wright from Marissa, Illinois.

## RODELY-ALVIS

Eugene Alfred Rodely was born to George Alfred and Clara Marie Koenig Rodely on 26 August 1923. Gene was the youngest of four children born and raised in the Paradise Prairie area, now known as the Kimmel Blacktop. Gene was raised on a 40-acre farm, producing Jersey dairy cattle, chickens, hogs, corn, stock peas, and soybeans through the 1940s. Clara Rodely would sell separated cream by delivering it via horse and wagon to the Railway Express Station, where it was transported to sale.



*Eugene Alfred and Patsy Alvis Rodely.*

Gene walked daily to the Elm country school where he would build a fire in the wood stove before the other students arrived. After graduating from Elm in 1938 he attended Du Quoin High School (then located on Poplar Street) and graduated in 1942.

Eugene Alfred married Patricia "Patsy" Ellen Alvis (born 22 May 1927), daughter of James Franklin and Charity Ione Patton Alvis of Du Quoin in July 1943. The couple moved to Pope

Street in Du Quoin in 1946 and they still reside there today. This was also Patsy's home as a child as well as her mother, Charity, who was raised at this address for it was her mother, Ella Patton's, home originally. Gene and Patsy have five children, nine grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Their eldest son, Eugene Patrick Rodely (29 July 1949) and wife, Wanda Polczynski, have three children: Stacey Rodely Davis, Crisey Rodely Fenton (who has one daughter, Hope Marie) and Eugene Paul Rodely III. Gene Jr. previously owned the Circle R Steakhouses in southern Illinois and is now a machine operator.

Roger Allen Rodely (12 October 1953) resides in West Frankfort and is employed as a Shawnee Correctional Officer. Roger has a daughter, Chasity Rodely Presley (who has one daughter, Shelby Lyn) and a son, Joshua.

Jo Ellen Rodely (20 August 1961) of Du Quoin is employed as a social worker and is a vocal soloist in the Spirit of Life church. She has one daughter, Dia Jo. Both of them are active in school and civic organizations.

Jack Lee Rodely (27 February 1963) is a contractual computer analyst now residing in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

David Aaron Rodely (07 June 1968) married Sharon Mudford in 1988 and they have three children: Daniel, Macey, and Lars. David was Du Quoin High School State Champion in discus and went on to participate in the Olympic Trials held in New Orleans, Louisiana in 1992. David is a Marketing Director for a company in Jonesboro, Arkansas where this family resides.

Eugene A. Rodely owned and worked farmland his entire life in addition to co-owning and operating Rodely's Farm Equipment, established in 1946. This business has seen the most progressive changes in farming and equipment during United States agricultural history. "The Shop" closed its doors through auction in August 1997.

Gene was elected to the Perry County Board of Commissioners and served sixteen consecutive years, 1980-1996, before stepping down—the longest held seat in Perry County history. Gene also served sixteen years on the Perry County Health board as well as sixteen years on the Greater Egypt Planning Commission. Gene also served with the University of Illinois Extension Council. In years previous, some of Eugene's most memorable service experiences were in the Du Quoin Khoury League and school organizations.

Gene and Patsy Rodely are of the Christian faith.

## ROETHE, RAYMOND AND WILBUR

O. Raymond Roethe, born 20 August 1922 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, son of Otto L. W. and Helena Bertha Coerber Roethe, was married 31 December 1952 at Pinckneyville to Mary Schockley, born 26 March 1928 at Mulkeytown, Illinois, daughter of Alva and Cora Bauman Schockley. Raymond and Mary had two sons, Larry and Jerry.

Larry, born 30 October 1956 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, married Rebecca Klohr, daughter of Albert and Sue Klohr.

Jerry, born 08 July 1959 at Dan Diego, California, married Marla. They have one child, Isaac.

Wilbur J. Roethe, born 22 July 1924 at Pinckneyville, son of Otto L. W. and Helena Bertha Coerber Roethe, was married 04 July 1944 at Macomb, Illinois to Rosalie Blansfield, born 18 December 1925 at Adair, Illinois, daughter of Everette and Beulah Turner Blansfield. Wilbur and Rosalie had two children: Kathy and Roger. Wilbur died 06 May 1972 at Springfield, Illinois and is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville. Rosalie was second married 18 December 1977 to Harry Boggs (see Roethe-Coerber history).

Kathy, born 18 March 1947 at Macomb, Illinois, was married 24 October 1970 at Springfield, Illinois to Ron Holdman, born 16 April 1942 at Bonne Terre, Missouri, son of Harold and Novice Chilton Holdman. Their children are Rodney Blake, Ryan Kent, and Ross James. Roger, born 29 October 1948 at Macomb, Illinois, was married 22 August 1970 at Salem, Illinois to Connie Salisbury, born 07 September 1949 at Centralia, Illinois, daughter of John and Vera Woley Salisbury. Their children are Rhett and Reid. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## ROETHE BROTHERS

Albert L. Roethe, born 24 November 1885 in Pinckneyville, Illinois, the eighth child of Johann Friedrich and Wilhelmina Schmidt Roethe, was married 03 July 1934 to Patricia Eakers, born December 1893 at Pine Bluff, Arkansas. They had no children. Albert L. died 22 May 1947 in East St. Louis, Illinois and Patricia died 29 January 1969 at Collinsville, Illinois. Both are buried in Valhalla Cemetery, Belleville, Illinois (see Roethe-Schmidt).

Several of the Roethe brothers worked for the railroad. Some people may remember the Illinois Central train engineer who, for over twenty-five years, made his train whistle sound like "whippoorwill". That engineer was Albert Roethe. From the time he could lisp "choo-choo" it was his ambition to become an engineer. He started work as a section hand, worked out of East St. Louis as a fireman and, after six years, finally grasped the throttle and the whistle cord which made him so popular as an Illinois Central engineer. He received fan mail from people all along the Illinois Central line from East St. Louis to Carbondale.

Arthur W. G. Roethe, born 28 June 1893 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, the youngest son of Johann Friedrich and Wilhelmina Schmidt Roethe, was married 06 April 1920 at St. Louis, Missouri to Flora Lueders, born 15 August 1899 at Pinckneyville, daughter of Theodore and Wilhelmina (Huth) Lueders. They had three children: Arthur Melvin, Norman Milton and a stillborn infant. Arthur died 01 May 1969 at St. Louis, Missouri and he and Arthur M. are buried at Mt. Hope Cemetery, Belleville, Illinois.

Arthur, born 29 March 1921 at East St. Louis, Illinois, was killed in a bicycle-truck accident on Municipal Bridge crossing the Mississippi River on 12 September 1939.

Norman, born 06 July 1928 at East St. Louis, Illinois, was married 07 February 1958 at St. Louis, Missouri to Marion Eckert, born 08 June 1928 at St. Louis, Missouri, daughter of Walter and Elsie Mahne Eckert. They had no children. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*



## ROETHE-COERBER

Otto L. W. Roethe, born 06 July 1875 in Pinckneyville, Illinois, son of Johann Friedrich and Wilhelmina Schmidt Roethe, was married 12 December 1917 at Deerfield, Kansas to Helena Bertha Coerber, born 03 December 1892 at Deerfield, Kansas, daughter of Carl and Marie Kliever Coerber. Otto L. and Helena had four children: Alice Louise, Otto Raymond, Wilbur James, and Lois Maxine. Otto died 27 January 1935 at Pinckneyville, Illinois and is buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois (see Roethe-Schmidt history).

Alice L., born 19 July 1919 at Junction City, Kansas, was married 06 December 1940 at St. Louis, Missouri to Richard Gordon Reese, born 12 January 1916 at Fairfield, Illinois, son of Fred and Garnet Reddig Reese. Richard and Alice had two sons: Richard Gordon Jr. and Thomas Wayne.

Richard G. Reese, born 24 January 1944 at East St. Louis, Illinois, was first married 10 February 1969 at Las Vegas, Nevada to Sandra Jean Nichols, born 16 September 1948 at San Diego, California, daughter of Clement and Florence Minners Nichols. Richard and Sandra had one son, Richard Gordon III. They were divorced in 1976. Richard was married second 26 April 1977 to Holly Hornak.

Thomas W. Reese, born 04 March 1947 at East St. Louis, Illinois, was married 14 September 1968 at Las Vegas, Nevada to Kim Marie Beavers Foote, born 19 July 1946 at Pasadena, California, daughter of Lawrence and Esther Wood Beavers. Thomas and Kim had two children: Brian Bradford and Shannon Marie. Thomas and Kim were divorced in 1975.

O. Raymond, born 20 August 1922, was married 31 December 1952 to Mary Schockley, born 26 March 1928. Otto and Mary had two sons: Larry and Jerry (see Roethe, Raymond and Wilbur histories).

Wilbur J., born 22 July 1924, was married 04 July 1944 to Rosalie Blansfield, born 18 December 1925. Wilbur and Rosalie had two children: Kathy and Roger. Wilbur died 06 May 1972 at Springfield, Illinois.

Lois M., born 28 October 1926 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, was married 13 June 1945 at West Frankfort, Illinois to John C. Dillon, born 10 January 1926 at Nauvoo, Alabama, son of Charles V. and Willie Jo Miskelley Dillon. They have three children: Vickie Lynn, Tyeann, and JoDene.

Vickie Lynn Dillon, born 29 July 1946 at Herrin, Illinois, was married 14 May 1967 at St. Louis, Missouri to Bill Huelsman, born 21 November 1941 at St. Louis, Missouri, son of Otto and Bertha Huelsman. The children of Bill and Vickie are Darren Michael and Sonya Lynn.

Tyeann Dillon, born 01 May 1951 at Herrin, Illinois, was married 27 November 1971 at West Frankfort, Illinois to Mark Mills, born 22 September 1952 at West Frankfort, Illinois, son of McDonald Mills. They had one child, Toby, and were divorced in 1981.

Jo Dene Dillon, born 28 October 1956 at Benton, Illinois, was married 04 July 1976 at West Frankfort, Illinois to Alan Kern, born 03 May 1952 in Florida, son of Charles and Jacqueline Kern. Their children: Travis Alan, Kacie Jo, and Natalie Jayne. Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.

## ROETHE-LYKINS

James Ervin Roethe was born to Ervin and Hilda Roethe of Pinckneyville, Illinois on 16 January 1950. The second of three children, Jim spent his early years learning the value of hard work from his parents. He attended Pinckneyville Community High School where he was involved in several student and sports organizations. After graduation, Jim attended Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, majoring in Industrial Arts. In 1970 he married Susan Lykins of Pinckneyville who was also attending Southern. Susan and Jim continued to live in Pinckneyville until they graduated from college in 1972. They then relocated to Momence, Illinois where Jim taught Industrial Arts at Momence Junior High while Susan worked as a secretary.



*Susan(Lykins), Jami, Niki, and James E. Roethe.*

After three years in Momence the couple moved to Evansville, Indiana where Susan worked at St. Mary's Hospital and Jim taught at Howard Roosa School. In 1976 twin daughters arrived on 28 November. Jami and Niki were quite a surprise to their proud parents because they arrived exactly one month early. Jim then left the field of teaching in order to expand his horizons.

He began working as a salesman for Bell Manufacturing based in Bowie, Texas which manufactured oil field engines and parts. This change in employment led to relocating the family to Golden Gate, Illinois in 1982. It was here that his daughters began first grade at Merriam Elementary School. Susan began working at Fairfield National Bank.

After many years of employment at Bell, Jim began working for Arrow Specialty Company, another oil field engine supplier, based in Tulsa, Oklahoma. After several years at Fairfield National Bank, Susan changed careers and began working for Champion Laboratories as a Personnel Specialist in 1992. In 1995, Jami and Niki graduated from high school and obtained full tuition scholarships for Frontier Community College in Fairfield, Illinois.

In 1997, the girls graduated from Frontier where they were awarded the President's Award for Outstanding Students. They now attend Eastern Illinois University at Charleston, Illinois where they are majoring in Early Childhood Education. After they graduate in the spring of 1999 they plan to teach in the Southern Illinois area. Jim is now running his own business called Engine Efficiency Systems which is based in his home. It relies heavily on Jim's many years of experience in the oil field industry. Currently Susan is employed at Citizens National Bank of Albion, Illinois where she works with the Chief Financial Officer.

Throughout the fifteen years that the Roethe family has resided in Golden Gate, they have been very involved in the Ellery Christian Church and many other community activities. In spite of the fact that Jim and Susan have now lived outside of Perry County for 24 years, they still are frequent visitors to the Pinckneyville area due to the fact that Jim's parents and one sister and Susan's mother and one sister still reside in the area. Submitted by the combined work of Jim, Susan, Jami, and Niki Roethe.

## ROETHE-SCHATTE

Fredrick J. Roethe, born 03 February 1871 at Pinckneyville, the son of Johann Friedrich and Wilhelmina (Schmidt) Roethe, was married 19 September 1901 at Campbell Hill, Illinois to Anna Amalia Schatte born 25 February 1879, a daughter of Henry and Caroline (Hesterberg) Schatte. They had three children: Theodore Friedrich Heinrich, Eleanor Caroline Wilhelmine, and William August. Fredrick died 14 December 1941 and Anna died 01 February 1932. Both are buried in the Mueller hill Cemetery at Pinckneyville, Illinois (see Roethe-Schmidt history).



*Gertrude and William Roethe 1980.*

Theodore F. H. Roethe, born 22 September 1902, was baptized at St. Paul Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. He died 16 October 1902 and is buried in Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Eleanor C. W. Roethe, born 17 September 1905 at Pinckneyville, was married 02 October 1935 at Nashville, Illinois to Ludwig Edward Linze, born 15 October 1902 at Du Quoin, Illinois, the son of Edward and Emma (Sutter) Linze. They had one son, Harold, born 11 October 1938 at Du Quoin who married 14 November 1970 at Sparta, Illinois to Sharon Morgan, born 06 July 1940 at Vergennes, Illinois, a daughter of Charles E. and Elinor (Eldridge) Morgan. They have a daughter, Eugenia Louise, born 05 January 1977 at Chester, Illinois. Harold and family still reside in the rural Du Quoin area. Louis Linze was first married to Estella Ditzler and had one daughter.

William A. Roethe, born 03 August 1907 in Perry County, was married 28 May 1935 to Gertrude Bruns, born 03 September 1909, a daughter of Joseph J. and Mary Ann (Todd) Bruns. They had no children and for many years lived on a farm north of Swanwick before moving to Pinckneyville in 1979. Gertrude died 23 May 1986 and Bill died 31 January 1990 both at Pinckneyville, Illinois. Both are buried in St. Bruno's Catholic Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. Bill was well known by many people in Perry County.

Eleanor and William were both baptised and confirmed at St. Paul Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.



## ROETHE-SCHMIDT

Johann Friedrich Roethe, born 17 September 1839 at Dietrichsdorf, Germany, was married 02 August 1866 in St. Clair county to Wilhelmina Schmidt, born 10 March 1849 at Seegrehna, Germany, a daughter of Gottlieb and Elisabeth (Krause) Schmidt. Johann came to America about 1864 and Wilhelmina came in 1859. They had ten children: Amalia, Fredrick J., William C., Otto L., Sophia F., Alvina Augusta, Henry F., Albert L., Alfred G., and Arthur W. Johann Friedrich died 27 July 1910 and Wilhelmina died 16 August 1922. Both are buried in the Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

died 15 November 1968 at Belleville, Illinois. Both are buried in Valhalla Cemetery, Belleville, Illinois.

Albert L., born 24 November 1885, was married 03 July 1934 to Patricia Ann Eakers, born December 1893. Albert L. died 22 May 1947 and Patricia died 29 January 1969 (see Roethe Brothers history).

Alfred G., born 02 May 1891 at Pinckneyville, was married 18 September 1928 at Deerfield, Kansas to Edith Coerber, born 08 May 1897, a daughter of Carl and Marie (Kliever) Coerber. They had one son, Floyd A., born 21 November 1933. Alfred died 16 October 1957 at



(seated) Fredrick Roethe & Wilhelmina (Schmidt) Roethe with son Arthur standing between them. (standing in back) Otto, William, Henry, Alfred, Fred, Alvina, Amelia, and Albert. Taken in the early 1900s.

Amalia, born 27 October 1868, was married to John Doerflein, born 18 October 1865. They had four children: Lena E., Katharina W., Friedrich J. W., and Alvina A. L. Amalia died 16 April 1942 and John died 03 March 1907 (see Doerflein-Roethe history).

Fredrick J., born 03 February 1871, was married 19 September 1901 to Anna Amalia Schatte, born 25 February 1879. They had three children: Theodore F. H., Eleanora C. W., and William August. Fredrick died 14 December 1941 and Anna died 01 February 1932 (see Roethe-Schatte history).

William C., born 03 April 1873 at Pinckneyville, was married 15 February 1917 to Rosa Slacik, born 31 December 1876 at Corning, Missouri. William and Rosa had no children. William C. died 01 May 1951 and Rosa died 26 April 1958. Both are buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville.

Otto L. W., born 06 July 1875, was married 12 December 1917 to Helena Bertha Coerber, born 03 December 1892. Otto L. and Helena had four children: Alice L., O. Raymond, Wilbur J., and Lois M. Otto died 27 January 1935 (see Roethe-Coerber history).

Sophie Friederike was born 22 September 1878 at Pinckneyville, Illinois and died 12 January 1879. She is buried in the Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.

Alvina A., born 08 January 1880, was married three times (see Yehling-Roethe history). Alvina died 29 October 1922 at East St. Louis, Illinois.

Henry F., born 14 April 1883 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, was married in May 1931 or 32 to Nellie Jane (Carter) Self, born 31 August 1887 at Rector, Arkansas. Nellie had three daughters from her previous marriage. Nellie died 08 May 1964 at East St. Louis, Illinois and Henry

St. Louis, Missouri and buried in Valhalla Cemetery, Belleville, Illinois. In the 1970s Floyd and his mother resided in California.

Arthur W. G., born 28 June 1893, was married 06 April 1920 to a Lueders, born 15 August 1899. They had three children. Arthur died 01 May 1969 (see Roethe-Lueders history). Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.

## ROOTS

Benajah Guernsey Roots was a pioneer educator and abolitionist who came to Perry County early in 1839. He had spent some time in Shawneetown awaiting subsidence of swollen streams and drier weather as he picked his way along the old Shawneetown to St. Louis trail. The Connecticut native was looking for a spot where he could locate and build a home.



Locust Hill Academy at Kimzey Crossing-Home of Calvin and Jean Ibendahl.

B. G., as he was known, found that spot, a total of 1200 acres, about a mile south of the present village of Tamaroa. He built a log cabin and went back to Connecticut for his family.

His log cabin provided room for a student that first winter. College level courses were taught and the log cabin was the site of the first institution of high learning in Southern Illinois.

A later clapboard home had an L-shaped addition which housed a classroom and boarding services for several students. Finally, between 1854 and 1856, Locust Hill Academy was built, a home that is still standing south of Tamaroa. It is now the Calvin Ibendahl home. The house, a one-room (Roots) school and a log cabin are open for tours by appointment. John A. Logan was a student at the academy.



Picture of B.G. Roots' descendants taken at a reception in 1974 in their honor at the home of Calvin and Jean Ibendahl, the former B.G. Roots home south of Tamaroa. (L-R) Francis Roots Hadden, Richard Hadden, (seated in center) Jeff Heape of Murphysboro, aged 94, who had gone to school to B.G. Roots; Sheldon Roots and Elizabeth Roots, great grandchildren of Roots from Mackinac Island, Michigan. Jeff Heape (in center) attended Roots School. His father, Jehu Heape went to school to B.G. Roots.

Roots was an avid abolitionist and aided many run-away slaves as they escaped to the North. His "underground railway" station was probably in his basement. There was a secret passageway discovered in the back kitchen wall when the house was remodeled in 1956. There was a fake cistern in the basement beneath the wall. There was never any water in the cistern and earthen seats were carved inside the brick wall.

When the Illinois Central Railroad came to Southern Illinois, it was B. G. Roots who did the surveying from Centralia to Carbondale. The story is told that B. G. put the curve in the railroad north of Du Quoin so the tracks would cross his property and he would have train service, which was provided free of charge by the Illinois Central because Roots did not charge for the use of his land.

Roots was known as "Father Roots" in the early years of the Illinois educational system. He was a pioneer in using the graded school system. Prior to his time, students progressed from "reader to reader" as their ability increased. Roots was also on the Board of Higher Education and helped J. B. Turner establish the University of Illinois. He rode horseback to attend meetings in Chicago and Springfield.

Roots is credited with taking six teachers from Du Quoin to Arkansas where they established the first public school system for that state. He also taught at the Sparta Seminary from 1846 to 1851. He lobbied for the passage of the Normal School Act, which brought the Normal School, now Southern Illinois University, to Carbondale. The school was planned for Tamaroa, but lost by one vote in the General Assembly.

Locust Hill was a stock farm where purebred horses and mules, registered cattle and hogs were raised. Wheat, corn and hay were the main crops.



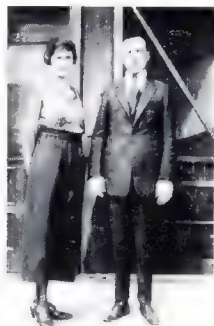
There were lots of fruit trees. The yard was landscaped with 40 kinds of trees, all native to Southern Illinois. Peacocks strutted in the four-acre yard.

After the Civil War, some of the run-away slaves returned to the Roots farm where they lived and worked until they died. Many of them are buried in the woods on the farm. A hired hand named Goode was given employment in Springfield after the farm was sold in 1905.

Mr. Roots passed away in 1887. He is buried in Tamaroa with the rest of his family. It is a fitting location since Mrs. Roots and her sister named the village of Tamaroa.

Remaining family members are Frances Roots Hadden and her brother, John Logan Roots of Mackinac Island, Michigan. The Logan Herbert Roots family is buried in the Bishop's family plot on Mackinac Island, Michigan. There are distant relatives in Oregon.

## SANFORD-SCHLEPER



*Honeymoon in St. Louis of Gert Schleper and Charles Sanford-Married 20 April 1921.*

Gert was the seventh child of Frank J. Schleper Sr., formerly of Teutopolis, and second wife, Anna Huelsmann of Waterloo, Illinois. Gertrude Wilhelmina was born 11 May 1893 in Du Quoin.

Gert married Charles Sanford on 20 April 1921 at 8 a.m. at Sacred Heart after he returned from World War I. He was a Pfc 40 Inf 14 Div. A wedding breakfast was served at the Schleper home by Miss Annie, sister of the bride. The young couple spent their honeymoon in St. Louis, Missouri. Charles' parents were Frank Sanford and Eugenia Mary Maes (born near Ghent, Belgium). They had seven sons and two daughters. Frank Sanford would take Father Klocke by small rail cart, hand-pumped, every Saturday night to Tamaroa to say Mass and then pump the cart back to Du Quoin early Sunday morning for Mass at Sacred Heart.

Charles was in partnership in the Sanford and Simms Men's Clothing Store on East Main Street in Du Quoin. The stock market crash of 1929, miners' strikes, and banks called in their loans. The partners were forced to sell. Charles went to work in another men's clothing store. He also was City Clerk and guard at Chester prison. He was active in the church choir, charter member of the Knights of Columbus, Council Number 1298 and in the American Legion.

Charles and Gert had four children: Mary Anne (Mrs. Benjamin J. Wieschhaur of Martinsburg, Missouri), Eugene Charles (Vivien of Montgomery, Missouri), Charlene Gertrude (Mrs. F. Arens of Wellsville, Missouri) and Ethyl (baby died). Their grandchildren are Doris, Charles, Bill and Ann Wieschhaus of Martinsburg, Missouri. Gene and Vivian live in Kansas City,

Missouri. The Arens children are Jean, Joan, Jim, John, Jerry, Michael and Mark of Wellsville, Missouri.

Charles, 61, lived from 05 December 1889 to 26 August 1951, and died from an acute heart attack. He was buried in the Sacred Heart Cemetery. Gert lived another 22 years and moved to her own home in Wellsville to be with her daughters. She died on 18 October 1973 and was buried at Wellsville Catholic Cemetery. Her memorial stone is beside her husband. *Submitted by Mary Ann Wieschhaus and Janet Schleper Austin.*

## SAVIO-VUICHARD

Owen Savio, born 14 February 1901 in Monroeville, Allen County, Indiana, was the son of James and Mary Jane Taylor Savio. He married Mabel Elizabeth Ehling (born 08 March 1903 Monroeville, Indiana and died 09 October 1982 Terre Haute, Indiana) on 01 June 1920 in Monroeville. To this union was born one son, Byron Edgar Savio (born 09 March 1921) of Ohio. Owen worked on the Pennsylvania Railroad from 11 September 1922 until his retirement in 1962. Owen and Mabel moved to the Fort Myers, Florida area after Owen's retirement.

In Fort Myers, Florida, on 23 July 1994, Owen married Lucille Annette Vuichard (nee Schneider) who was born 29 December 1915 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois. She is the daughter of John William "Will" and Ida Sophia Berg Schneider. Lucille and her first husband, Harold Raymond Vuichard Sr. enjoyed over 50 years of married life, part of which was centered in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Lucille and Harold were blessed with ten children. Harold passed away in 1987.

Owen passed away in June 1998 and is interred in Terre Haute, Indiana with his first wife, Mabel.

Lucille continues to live in North Fort Myers, Florida where she enjoys the warm climate and perpetual gardening (see Vuichard-Schneider history in Volume I).

## SCARBOROUGH

John Scarborough was born in Brunswick County, Virginia 06 April 1762. He joined the Revolutionary War in 1780 serving as Private of the South Carolina Continentals and was discharged June 1783. He married Frances Bennett in Virginia 22 October 1884 and in 1885 had moved to Tennessee.



*George, Margaret and Alma Scarborough.*

John and Frances had nine children before leaving Tennessee for Posey County, Indiana: Greene 1785, Griffin 1788, Wilson 1790, Temperence 1793, Nancy 1796, Rebecca 1799, John 1803, Bennett 1806, Sally 1809. He later moved to Franklin County, Illinois after most of his children were married. John died in 1846 and Frances died in 1842.

John Scarborough 1803 married Rebecca Gross in Posey County, Indiana 02 July 1826. They had two children. Greene, born 1826, and Mary. Not much is known about John's lifestyle as he died in 1833 only thirty years of age. Mary married a Pentecost and stayed in Indiana. Rebecca came to Illinois with Greene.

Greene Scarborough was born in Posey County, Indiana 1826 and later moved to Franklin County, Illinois. He married Catherine Long 06 June 1851. Greene was a farmer and he and Catherine raised four children: John 1852, Nancy 1859, Wilson 1862, and James 1870. Greene died 11 November 1878. Greene and Catherine are buried in Shiloh Cemetery, Ewing, Illinois.

John Scarborough was born in Franklin County, Illinois 07 August 1852. In Benton, Illinois on 12 December 1873 John married Arilla Wells, daughter of Miron and Eliza Jane (Blanton) Wells. John and Arilla had eight children: Flora 1875, James 1877, John 1879, Thomas 1882, George 1886, Elijah 1889, Arthur 1894, and Fanny 1897. All of John and Arilla's children were born in Ewing but later all moved to Du Quoin.

George Washington Scarborough was born in Ewing, Illinois and later moved to Du Quoin where he married Margaret Emaline McMillen 12 May 1909 and had three children: Alma 1910, Bonnie 1912, and Harry 1915. George was killed in a coal mine accident 15 September 1923.

Alma Scarborough was born in Matthews, Illinois 02 March 1910 and later moved to Du Quoin where she married Fred A. Knight 17 May 1928. Alma and Fred had two children: Fred Sidney 30 October 1933 and Shirley Ann 24 March 1935. Alma died 1995 and Fred died 1974 in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Shirley Knight Degenhardt.*

## SCARBOROUGH-WELLS

John Scarborough was born in Ewing, Franklin County, Illinois 12 August 1852 the eldest of four children born of Bennett and Catherine Long Scarborough. In Benton, Illinois, on 12 December 1873, John married Arilla Wells. Arilla was born 22 February 1860, one of two daughters born to Miron and Eliza Jane Blanton Wells. Arilla had a sister Elizabeth born 22 December 1861, married William Tadlock 13 March 1884. Miron Wells died in the Civil War. Eliza received a pension and was living with her two daughters in Spring Garden, Jefferson County, Illinois in 1866.



*John and Arilla (Wells) Scarborough and Grandsons.*

John and Arilla had eight children and all were raised in Ewing. Flora 1875, James William 1877-1947, John 1879, Thomas Marion 1882-1952, George Washington 1886-1923, Elijah Wilson 1889, Arthur Vernon 1894-1960, and Anna Ethel "Fannie" 1897-1969.



John Scarborough was a farmer in Ewing and moved to Du Quoin very soon after 1900 where he continued to farm until his age forced him to retire. He died 01 September 1934, Arilla died 11 April 1929, and are buried in IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin. When residing in Du Quoin they lived in Greenwood Addition and attended the Pentecostal and United Methodist Church.

Arthur Vernon Scarbrorugh was born in Ewing, Illinois but lived most of his life in Perry County around Du Quoin. On 29 May 1915 he married Dora Neville, daughter of Jacob and Rebecca Donoghue Neville. Arthur Scarborough was a coal miner and raised seven children: Herman born May 1916 died 1918, Mable born 26 June 1918, Howard born 10 April 1920 married Mary Allen, Altheda born 03 June 1922, Wanda, Oscar, and Jack.

Mable was born in Du Quoin 26 June 1918 and married Louis Isaacs 17 April 1936 in Perry County. Louis is the son of Walter and Gertrude Charlton Isaacs born 11 August 1914. Mable and Louis have lived their married life in Du Quoin and have raised three children. June Elaine born 20 January 1936 married James L. Terry and has three children, Deborah Jo, William Alan, and John Louis; Jo Ann born 02 March 1940 married Danny Lemmons and has two boys, Danny Ray and Robert Eugene; Howard Ray born 17 January 1944 and married Carol Martin and has four children, Ann Beth, Howard Michael, Brett Alan, and Julie Marie.

Altheda was born in Du Quoin 03 June 1922 and married Joe Caraker 15 August 1946. Joe was born 07 February 1922, son of Thomas Loren and Kate Presley Caraker. Altheda and Joe have four children: Robert born 26 May 1939 married Ruth and has five children; Millie born 24 May 1940 married Jim Woolsey 12 July 1957 and has three girls; Charlotte born 03 August 1943 married Roy Acuff and has one boy; and Rita born 06 May 1945 married Larry Morgan and has two boys.

John Scarborough's children were all born Scarborough. When the children were grown they decided it was easier to pronounce and spell if the name was shorter. It was changed, by most of John's family in the Du Quoin area, to Scarber.

## SCHAUDT-WAGNER

Theodor H. M. Schaudt, youngest son of John and Anna Ringwald Schaudt, was born in Effingham, Illinois 01 July 1895. At a young age, the family moved to Urbana, Illinois where Ted attended schools and was employed at the Illinois Central Railroad Round House.



(back) Eunice (Lierance), Lois (Smith), Anita Schaudt, (front) Ruth (Smith), Theodor and Lillian Schaudt.

In 1914, he and his parents moved to Perry County on the Cunningham farm southwest of

Conant where he lived all his life. Ted had two brothers: Louis J. and William J. and an adopted sister, Sophia Buhs.

On 15 April 1917 in Trinity Lutheran Church (Conant), Ted married Lillian Pauline Wagner. Lillie was the daughter of Henry and Anna Brune Wagner and had one brother Edwin Wagner of Sacramento, California and three sisters: Mamie Engert of Bonners Ferry, Idaho, Ella Hixon of Great Falls, Montana, and Emma Wagner of Twin Falls, Idaho. She also had two sisters who died in infancy and were buried at Trinity Lutheran Church Cemetery, Lost Prairie area.

Ted and Lillie had four daughters: Ruth Lydia Deloris, Cutler, Illinois (26 November 1918), wife of Dale A. Smith; Lora Emma "Lois", St. Louis, Missouri (11 July 1921), wife of Oren E. Smith; Anita Lillian Mae, St. Louis, Missouri (04 May 1928); and Eunice Martha Sylvia "Pat", Columbia, Missouri (20 April 1935), wife of Harold Lieurance. They had six grandchildren and four step-grandchildren, ten great grandchildren and several step-great grandchildren.

All of their able life, Ted and Lillie lived on their farm. Ted passed away 15 May 1967, Lillie on 20 June 1988. They are buried at Trinity Lutheran Cemetery, Lost Prairie area.

## SCHIRMER-DAVIS

The Schirmers moved to Du Quoin in August 1968 from Midland, Texas. They have three children. Kathi Rae (Schirmer) McCord (born 29 October 1956), Kristi Dian Schirmer (born 20 July 1959) and Paul David Schirmer (born 05 March 1961). All of the children were born in the Midland Memorial hospital and baptized at the Grace Lutheran Church, Midland, Texas.



(back) Kathi & Dennis McCord, Jennifer & Paul D. Schirmer, Kristi D. Schirmer, (front) Megan K. McCord, Paul E. & Carrel Schirmer, Scott & Paul R. Schirmer.

L. Carrel (Davis) Schirmer, born 07 December 1933 in New Madrid County, Portageville, Missouri to Sidney C. Davis (born 03 March 1899; died 04 May 1954) and Ethel (Davidson) Davis (born 21 June 1907; died 16 May 1993). In May 1951 Carrel graduated from the Wardell High School and was employed by the American Telephone and Telegraph Company in St. Louis, Missouri. On 11 September 1954 Carrel married Paul E. Schirmer from Chester, Illinois. In March 1956 Carrel was transferred to Southwestern Bell Telephone Company at Midland, Texas. In September 1956 she resigned from the telephone company to raise a family of three children. Fourteen years later, January 1970, in Du Quoin, Illinois she went to work for Dr. R. C. Jenkins (office on South Division) as an Optometric Aid and retired December 1995 after almost 26 years.

Paul E. Schirmer was born 16 December 1929 in Randolph County, Chester, Illinois. He was the fifth child of eight children born to John W. Schirmer (born 05 March 1896; died 02 February 1968) and Caroline (Sprengel) Schirmer (12 June 1896; died 09 August 1977). In May 1949 he graduated from the Chester High School and served 3 1/2 years in the United States Air Force as a Radio Mechanic. He served eighteen months in Korea from September 1950 to February 1952 with the Fifth Air Force. Communication "934th Sig. Bn." Group. He received an Honorable Discharge on 11 December 1952 at the rank of S/ Sgt.. From January 1953 to February 1956 he was employed with American Telephone and Telegraph Company in St. Louis, Missouri. From May 1956 until August 1968 he was employed with Shell Oil in Midland, Texas. In September 1968 the Schirmers moved back to Southern Illinois and settled in Du Quoin. Paul was employed with Consolidation Coal Company, Pinckneyville General Office, as the Senior Draftsman and Company Artist. On May 1985 he took early retirement from Consol and went to work as a full time artist, working out of his art studio in the back yard of their home on East Main Street in Du Quoin. He has painted two large murals at Chester, Illinois: in June 1995 the "Popeye Mural" 16 feet by 36 feet and in August 1996 the "Gilster Mary-Lee Mural" 16 feet by 28 feet. Paul and Carrel are active members of the Bethel Lutheran Church on highway 152 on the west edge of Du Quoin.

Kathi Rae (Schirmer) McCord graduated from Du Quoin High School in May 1975 and from Rend Lake College in May 1977 with a two-year degree in Architectural Technology. She has been employed with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Carbondale Office, since June 1977. On 18 December 1982 she married Dennis Ray McCord (born 01 June 1950) from Sherman, Texas. Dennis has a bookstore on South Illinois Street in Carbondale. Kathi is the director of the children hand bell choir for Our Savior Lutheran Church in Carbondale. Kathi and Dennis have one daughter, Megan Kathleen McCord (born 23 June 1989).

Kristi Dian Schirmer graduated from the Du Quoin High School in May 1978 and from Rend Lake College in May 1980 with a two-year degree in Architectural Technology. From June 1980 until August 1984 she was employed with the Illinois Department of Transportation, Carbondale Office. In August 1984 she enrolled at Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and graduated in May 1988 with a Bachelor of Science Degree as Athletic Trainer and an Associate Degree in Physical Therapy. She is currently living in New Braunfels, Texas and is employed by Health South in San Antonio, Texas.

Paul David Schirmer graduated from the Du Quoin High School in May 1980 and from John A. Logan College in May 1982. In June 1984 he graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with a degree in Radio-Television Production and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force. In August 1985 he graduated from the Air Force Navigator School and received his "wings". Paul D. served as an officer in the United States Air Force for twelve years, from 1984 to 1996. During those years, in May 1986, at Fairchild Air Force Base, Spokane, Washington, Paul D. met First Lieutenant Jennifer Uhl (born 03 April 1959) from



Cleveland, Ohio. On 24 October 1987 they were married at Bethel Lutheran Church in Du Quoin, Illinois. They have two sons, Paul Richard Schirmer (born 20 July 1991) and Scott Andrew Schirmer (born 22 November 1994). Jennifer is now a Major in the United States Air Force Reserves. Paul D. is currently employed with the consulting firm of KPMG/Peat Marwick. They are living in Fredericksburg, Virginia.

## SCHLEPER, BEATRICE

Beatrice, born 26 December 1891, was the sixth child of Frank J. Schleper Sr. of Du Quoin and second wife Anna Huelsmann of Waterloo, Illinois. Beatrice and sister Gert clerked in the family mercantile grocery store to help the older brothers provide a "living" to keep the young thirteen Schleper children together. There were always young friends around the Schleper home, playing and singing around the piano. The Schlepers loved to play euchre, Pinochle, and games in their leisure.



*Beatrice Schleper, Daughter of Frank J. Schleper Sr. and Anna Huelsmann.*

Beatrice, age 27, had a normal work day and felt good all week, singing and having a good time with young people at the Schleper home. She became ill over the weekend and died on Monday, 14 June 1918 at home. She died from blood poisoning because the kidneys shut down. This was a tremendous shock to the brothers and sisters. It took them a long time to recover from their loss. Beatrice was single. She was buried at Sacred heart Cemetery. *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin.*

## SCHLEPER-DANKLEF

The second of thirteen children of Frank J. Schleper Sr. (formerly of Teutopolis, Illinois) and Anna Huelsmann (of Waterloo, Illinois), Henry was born 01 September 1886 at 30 West Main Street above the F. J. Schleper Mercantile Grocery in Du Quoin.

After his father's death in 1906, Henry, 21, and brother, Anthony, 19, operated Schleper Brothers Grocery until the business was discontinued in February 1946. Henry was associated in the retail business, founded by his father 67 years before and operated continuously at the intersection of Main and Walnut Streets.

At 5 a.m. on the morning of 26 February 1919, Henry married Bernean D. Danklef (born 06 November 1899 in Mt. Olive, Illinois) of St. Louis, Illinois, daughter of John Christian and Mary Amelia (Burkhardt) Danklef. Miss Danklef was the granddaughter of John B. Burkhardt and Anna (Humphries) Burkhardt of Du Quoin who for many years was the superintendent of the White Ash and Security Mines in the area.

Bernean and Hank were the parents of five children: Bernean Beatrice (Herman Yehling), Gertrude Louise (Jim Hinz), Mary Frances (Allen Bailey), John Henry, and Robert Dean (Pat Henderson). Their grandchildren are Mark, Marla (Bill Engel), and Clark Yehling; Henrietta and Jim Hinz; Bill and Anne (Dave Burkett) Bailey; Candace (Richard Bird) and Robert John Schleper.



*F.J. Schleper Sr. and Anna Huelsmann's Children: (front) Godfrey, Clem, Jerry, (back) Annie, Tony, Josephine (Sister Illuminata), Henry and Gert Schleper.*

Henry was director of the Du Quoin State Bank for sixteen years. He was a charter member of the Du Quoin Knights of Columbus. Henry Schleper died 26 July 1955 and his wife Bernean died 25 June 1984, both buried in Sacred heart Cemetery, Du Quoin. *Submitted by BB Schleper Yehling and Janet Schleper Austin.*

## SCHLEPER-GRIEB

The only son of Frank J. Schleper Sr. (1851-1906) and his first wife Katharine Miller (Mueller) (1857-1881), was Frank Jr. born 07 March 1880 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Frank Jr. died after a long illness on 08 December 1963. He was one of the organizers and a charter member of the Du Quoin Knights of Columbus Council #1298 and Perry County Coroner for eight years. With his father he operated a wholesale produce business at 28 West Main for many years and later sold this business and went into partnership with his brother Jerry in Schleper's Clothing Store from 1924-1929.



*Frank J. Schleper Jr. and Family: Ann Grieb Schleper; Frankie Schleper III, Frank J. Schleper Jr., Anna Mae Schleper.*

He married Anna Grieb 12 May 1903. Her death occurred 17 July 1922. Anna's father, John Grieb, owned a blacksmith shop and wagon sales store at 15 West Main Street, Du Quoin.

To this union were born Anna May, 22 May 1904 and Frank III, 21 March 1913. Anna May was Catering Manager for Joseph Biggs Company, Chicago for forty years until her death 25 April 1974. She is buried with her parents at Sacred Heart Cemetery, Du Quoin.

Frank III worked in the Department of Finance, Springfield, for six years before going into the United States Army where he served for four years both in the European and Pacific areas. Frank III, along with an Army friend, Lew LaFreniere, started their own bookkeeping and tax business in Chicago in 1946.

Frank married Florence LaMarre of Bourbonnais, Illinois, on 13 August 1949 at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago.

William Hayes, President of the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds (now owned by the State of Illinois) asked Frank Schleper, Jr. to acquire large acreage surrounding the original fair site. He was successful in doing this by attending tax sales held in the county seat of Pinckneyville. (See Huelsmann, Koerber, Schleper articles).

*Submitted by Frank Schleper III.*

## SCHLEPER-HICKS

Godfrey Schleper was the thirteenth child, born on Friday, 13 October 1905. He was the son of Frank J. Schleper Sr. of Du Quoin and Anna Huelsmann of Waterloo, Illinois. Godfrey's father died in 1906 and his mother died in 1908. Sister Annie, 23, and her brother Henry, 21, became the heads of the family. Godfrey's "First and Solemn Communion" was at age 12 and he received his first bike from the family.



*Godfrey and Tessie Schleper-Married 08 August 1935.*

The Schleper boys would get up at 5 a.m. and watch the circus train. Elephants were used to move heavy tent poles and supplies. The circus would travel west to the end of Park Street and be in town for three days.

Godfrey, 12, had scarlet fever in 1917 and a quarantine sign was hung on the door, curtains pulled down. The sisters stayed at home but the five Schleper brothers were sent to Howell Hotel, on the corner of Chestnut and East Main. Henry would come to the house and crawl in the window, bringing food. Godfrey and Clem drove the Schleper Brothers delivery cart pulled by two horses. Godfrey, 17, went by train to Camp Custer in Battle Creek, Michigan—a military training camp—for a month in 1922.

Godfrey was the only Schleper to graduate from high school in 1923. Clem finished his junior year, but dropped out to work. Godfrey took post-graduate courses at high school 1924-25. In 1926 he enrolled at Brown's Business College in Centralia in accounting and stenography, traveling by train on weekends.

The bookkeeper of Union Colliery Kathleen Coal Company at Dowell approached Godfrey with a job offer at a good salary in 1926, which he accepted. The miners called a strike for 30 months in 1926; office workers were laid off. Godfrey worked on building the "hard road" routes 152 and



154. When the strike ended, office workers received their months as credit worked. He was stenographer, tax clerk, payroll clerk, and promoted to chief clerk. He worked at Old Kathleen from 1929-1946 when it closed. He worked at New Kathleen Mine from 1946 to December 1959 when it closed. He then worked for Frank Russell Trucking Company in West Frankfort for seven years and Seifert Brothers Trucking from 1965 to 1970 as a bookkeeper. He retired on 01 October 1970 at 65 and began to travel with his wife to Acapulco, Mexico City, Ireland, England, France, Hawaii, Tokyo, Hong Kong, Alaska, Nova Scotia, and the United States. Godfrey loved geography and history. He was a fourth degree Knight of Columbus.

Godfrey married Tessie Hicks in a quiet ceremony at Sacred Heart rectory with John and Thelma Koerner as witnesses on 08 August 1935. On their honeymoon they drove to New Orleans. They have two daughters, Janet and Agnes. They are in their nineties still living in their home. (See Huelsmann, Koerber, Schleper, Hicks, and Neal articles.) *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin.*

## SCHLEPER, JOSEPHINE ANGELA

Josephine Angela was the eighth child of Frank J. Schleper Sr. of Du Quoin and his second wife Anna Huelsmann of Waterloo, Illinois. She was born 20 August 1895. Josephine's weekly chore was pumping the water, heating it, and filling the bath tub which was set in the kitchen for the family bathing each Saturday evening. The youngest child went first, then the girls and then the boys. The tub was emptied and then fresh hot water was poured in to the tub for the mother and then the father.



*Charles Sanford, Jerry Schleper, Godfrey Schleper, Josephine Schleper "Sister Illuminata", Henry Schleper, Clem Schleper, Tony Schleper.*

Josephine loved school and was an eager learner. When she was 19 in 1914 her cousin, Mrs. Addie nee Grone \_\_\_\_, of St. Louis, a widow with young children, invited Josephine to go on an Alaskan cruise and be the children's nanny. Addie Grone was the daughter of Henry Grone and Rose Thelen of St. Louis, who was the niece of Angela nee Thelen Huelsmann of Waterloo, Josephine's grandmother. Josephine was a good nanny and Addie Grone took her on other trips.

Josephine had the "calling to be a nun" and to teach children. She became Sister M. Illuminata on 08 May 1918, C.J.J.S. Precious Blood Order at the Motherhouse in O'Fallon, Missouri. An elderly sister by that name was buried on 08 May and so the nuns suggested that she take "Illuminata" as her name. She professed her vows on 10 August

1921. Josephine did not come back to Du Quoin for about ten years. However, the family could go to Missouri and visit. In later years the nuns allowed her home visits.

She spent many years at St. Genevieve, Missouri, St. Peter's at Marthsville, and Washington, Missouri, teaching fourth to sixth grades. When she was elderly, she retired from ill health and lived at the Motherhouse. Her attitude throughout her life was joyful, peaceful, and fulfilled. She died 08 September 1974 and was buried in the cemetery behind the Motherhouse. *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin.*

## SCHLEPER, MARY ANNA "ANNIE"

Mary Anna "Annie" was the first child of Frank J. Schleper Sr. and Anna Huelsmann, his second wife. Anna was born 07 February 1885 in the business home above the F. J. Schleper Merchantile Grocery at 30 West Main Street, Du Quoin. Annie's parents spoke German in the home and German was taught at the parochial school. A law was passed during World War I that English would be taught in all the schools. Penmanship, arithmetic, spelling, grammar, history, and geography were stressed by the nuns. In the beginning school only lasted five months. The Schleper children all graduated from eighth grade and then went to work. The youngest Schleper children, Clem and Godfrey, went to high school.



*Miss Anna Schleper; Daughter of F. J. Schleper Sr. and Anna Huelsmann.*

Annie helped her young mother Anna with the younger twelve children. Then tragedy struck the family. Their father and prominent businessman of the community had an untimely death. Frank Sr. accidentally fell in his mercantile-grocery business. He sustained a broken collarbone, a broken arm, and internal injuries. He was preparing an order for shipment while standing on an elevated platform when he lost his balance and fell, thus causing his death from blood poisoning on 15 August 1906 as a result of this accident five days earlier. He died at age 55 at home with his family surrounding him.

Two years later Annie's mother died from uterine cancer in her home on the morning of 16 November 1908 at the age of 41 years, 11 months, and 13 days. Annie, Beatrice, and Gert had to prepare their mother's body which lay in the front parlor of the Schleper house overnight. Now Annie, 23, and Henry, 21, became the heads of the family, under the guidance of Reverend Klocke of Sacred Heart. Brother Frank, 28, was married and had his own family to guide.

Annie loved to cook. Her specialties were chicken n dumplings, shaum torte, pies, and cakes.

She also loved to sew. She made all her dresses without a pattern and taught the other sisters how to sew. They made the boys' knickers, slacks, underwear, girls' petticoats, bloomers, curtains, etc. She loved to do handiwork as crocheting, quilting, knitting, and embroidery. Annie and the girls were busy making bread, fixing meals, ironing, and cooking for a large family. After their mother died, Annie released the two hired girls in order to save money. The family always had plenty of food from the grocery store. All of this was under her guidance at home plus helping the younger children in their studies. The family attended Mass every morning.

Annie raised her brother Godfrey since he was a baby when their parents died. Godfrey married Tessie Hicks in 1935 and they moved into the Schleper home. Annie lived with Godfrey and Tessie and their daughters Janet and Agnes. Annie was a substitute grandmother. Annie's sister Gert married Charles Sanford and they shared the other half of the big home. The three women, Annie, Tessie, and Gert, had a wonderful relationship. Annie lived with Godfrey's family until her last days. She died on 31 January 1972 and is buried at the Schleper lot. *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin.*

## SCHLEPER-MILLER-HUELSMANN

Frank J. Schleper Sr. set himself up in the mercantile grocery business at the corner of 30 West Main St. in Du Quoin, Illinois in 1879. This was ten years after he came at age 18 on 01 October 1869 from Teutopolis, Illinois. Frank Schleper married a Chicago girl, named Katherine Miller, his first wife. He met her while she was visiting her brother John H. Miller, Du Quoin. Frank, 28, and Katherine, 22, were married on 29 May 1879 at Sacred Heart by Father Charles Klocke, Frank's best friend. There were four Schleper homes that Frank Sr. provided for his growing family.

The Du Quoin Tribune reported on 21 April 1881 that Mr. Schleper was having a new business home erected on West Main Street above his store. In July the new brick business house was completed and Mr. Schleper moved his (first) wife Katherine (nee Miller) and son Frank Jr., who was born 07 March 1880, into the second floor of the corner business.

Within the year on 08 November 1881 Katherine died. "The funeral services of Catherine, wife of our esteemed citizen, Frank Schleper Sr., took place this morning at the Catholic Church. The attendance was large and the funeral ceremonies, conducted by Reverend Charles Klocke, were beautiful and impressive. The sermon, eloquent and instructive, was delivered both in German and English." Katherine was born 19 August 1857, Chicago, Cook County. Her parents were Nicholas (born 1821) and Anna (nee Gruenewold) Mueller, both from Prussia, who married in 1851 in Chicago.

Later, widower Frank met Mary "Anna" Huelsmann from Waterloo, Monroe County, Illinois, who was in Du Quoin helping brother Tony Huelsmann's family and sister Adeline and John Koerber. Frank, 32, married Anna, 16, his second marriage and her first marriage, on 03 October 1883 at Sacred Heart with Reverend Klocke officiating. Anna's mother, Angela Huelsmann, had to sign a "consent of marriage" since her daughter would be 17 on her next birthday.



Frank, Anna, and Frank Jr. (three years old) made their first home above his corner mercantile grocery store. After Mary Ann "Annie", 1885, and John "Henry", 1886, arrived, the family needed a larger home. Frank Sr. owned lots 9 and 10 in the Railroad Addition at the corner of 103 North Walnut and Park Streets. In 1887 a modest home, the family's second residence, was built with two large barns in the back for six horses, delivery cart, and surrey. Then new family additions were added: Tony (1888), Charles (1889), Beatrice (1891), Gertrude (1893), Josephine (1895), Gerhardt (1897), and Clement (1898). Also, in 1899 Grandmother Angela from Waterloo was invited to move into the home.

On 03 March 1899 Frank had his modest residence at 103 North Walnut torn down and rebuilt on the same lot. Victor Hatfield was superintendent of the Schleper's new frame dwelling which cost \$3500, featuring a beautiful walnut carved staircase, thirteen spacious rooms, large foyer, back stairway, two large porches, and large attic. The family temporarily moved three doors east on West Park to the Pepka house. "In August 1899 the handsome Schleper home was complete. It was one of the finest houses on the west side of the road and as fine a one as there is in the city." (DuQuoin Evening Call 04 May 1899) This was the fourth residence. Two hired girls helped frail Mrs. Schleper with the washing, ironing, cooking, and mending.

The Schleper home saw the addition of four more babies: Rosa (1900), Adelhaide (1902), Edward (1904), and Godfrey (1905). The family enjoyed happy hours here. Then tragedy struck. Their father Frank Sr. died on 15 August 1906 and their mother Anna died on 16 November 1908. Annie, 23 and Henry, 21, held the family together with the guidance of Reverend Klocke who came every Sunday for dinner. The children worked at the mercantile grocery store and wholesale grocery businesses and stayed together in the home until they married and moved away. *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin (Mrs. Howard Bryant Austin).*

## SCHLEPER-NIEHAUS

Frank J. Schleper was the eldest son of Franz Henrick John Schleper and Carolina Niehaus of Teutopolis, Effingham County, Illinois, born 06 July 1851 in Teutopolis.

His father Franz's parents are Clemens August Schleper (born circa 1797) from Osnabruck, Oldenburg, Germany, and Anna Maria Engelmann, Germany. Franz was christened on 11 November 1817 in Lohne, Vechta, Olenburg, Germany, and his godparents were Franz Henrick Kreyenborg and Alesanorina Engelmann.

Franz's mother died in Germany about 1831 and his new stepmother was Marie Catherine Sommer. Clemens and Marie had a son named Anton Schleper, born on 04 October 1833, Lohne, Vechta. Franz attended the native school until 1835, age 18, when he went to sea as a sailor. He sailed on various seas and made a trip around the world as a sailor on a sailing vessel by the age of 21.

Franz's father Clemens and family came with many German friends and settled in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1838-39 from the dutchy of Oldenburg. The German Land Company, formed by Clemens Uptmore, pooled money and bought land from the Land Office in Vandalia, Illinois., Clemens and

his brother Frances Ludwig were part of the original 140 landowners. On 05 July 1838 the German Land company of Catholic immigrants purchased about 10,000 acres that will become the city of Teutopolis.

In 1841 Anton was seven years of age when the family moved to a farm north of Teutopolis. In 1842 Clemens died and he was the eighth burial on record at St. Francis Catholic Church in Teutopolis. Clemens' brother Frances Ludwig died in 1845.



In 1844 Franz left the sea and came to the United States, coming overland by wagon from Baltimore port on old route 41 to Teutopolis where his father, stepmother, half-brother Anton, uncles and cousins had settled. However, he found no immediate family there. He worked as a farm hand, saving his money for a future farm.

Franz, 32, married Anna Maria "Carolina" Niehaus, 17, on 05 June 1849 in Teutopolis. She was the daughter of Joseph Niehaus (1786-89 Westphalen, Oldenburg, Germany-14 April 1873 Teutopolis) and Elizabeth Bukedes, Bokel, No. Germany. Carolina Niehaus was born 22 April 1832 and was baptized at Holy Apostles Peter and Paul at Cappellon diocese in Westphalen, Oldenburg, Germany. The Niehaus family left Germany to Cincinnati, Ohio in 1835.

Franz and Carolina Schleper's children born in Teutopolis were: Frank J. (Sr.) (06 July 1851-15 August 1906 Du Quoin; he became a prominent businessman in Du Quoin), "Mary" Elizabeth (03 September 1854-25 January 1936 Teutopolis; she married Joe Bussman), Maria "Anna" (11 February 1859-26 September 1944; Sister Cunneunda of Precious Blood Order of O'Fallon, Missouri), Maria Elizabeth (24 October 1860-08 September 1871 Teutopolis), Frances (04 October 1863-27 December 1938 Teutopolis; married Peter Koestner), Clemens (25 February 1866-25 February 1939 Teutopolis; married Elizabeth Habing), John Henry (06 October 1868-10 November 1872), Charlotte Theresia "Carolina" (06 January 1872-18 December 1953 Teutopolis; married Joseph L. Rechiene), "Rosa" Sophia (29 August 1876-02 June 1966 Bishop Creek, Illinois; married John Repking, Bishop Creek).

Frank J. Sr. helped his father Franz with the farming. He attended St. Joseph Seminary in Teutopolis where he met the future Father Charles Klocke in 1864 before Klocke was ordained a priest in 1868. Priesthood was not for Frank Sr. He decided to leave Teutopolis and go to Du Quoin where he had two Masquelet cousins, one owned a German Pharmacy and one taught school. Also Father Klocke had been sent to Du Quoin in November 1868. So Frank Sr. received a dollar from his father Franz and with his good friend

Ignotts Koerner, took the train south to Du Quoin. He arrived at the age of 18 on 01 October with fifty cents in his pocket.

Franz died 14 May 1900 and Carolina died 17 February 1895. Both died in Teutopolis and were buried at St. Francis Catholic Cemetery.

Frank Sr. married Katherine Miller of Chicago and to this union was born Frank Jr. Widower Frank Sr. married Anna Huelsmann of Waterloo and to this union was born 13 children (see other Schleper, Huelsmann, and Koerber articles). *Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin.*

## SCHLEPER-ROGERS

Anthony is the third child of Frank J. Schleper Sr. of Du Quoin and his second wife Anna Huelsmann of Waterloo. He was born 20 August 1888 in the small modest home built at 103 North Walnut, the family's second of four residences.

Anthony had been helping his father and older brothers in the mercantile grocery before his father's accidental death. However, Anthony, 19 and brother Henry, 21, became the breadwinners for the thirteen Schleper children since their father and mother died so young. Sisters Beatrice and Gert clerked in the store with them.



(front) Clem Schleper, Tony Schleper, Anna Mae Schleper, (back) Charles Schleper, Frank J. Schleper III, Winifred Schleper, and Josephine Schleper (Sister Illuminata).

"Tony" was drafted into World War I in 1917-1918. He fought in the trenches and mud of Verdun, France. Life in America changed from leisure to a feverish pace to win the war. The Allies won final victory in 1918. The Yanks came home in great joy to their families.

Tony and Henry had keen business sense and good rapport with their customers. They enlarged their businesses by separating the mercantile dry goods store from the grocery store around 1925. Tony sold his interest in the store around 1942 and set up a grocery business at Dowell, Illinois where (Old) Kathleen Union Colliery Coal Mines was successfully mining underground. He operated this store for seventeen years and retired in 1959 in Du Quoin.

Tony married Winifred Rogers on 20 November 1919 at Sacred Heart in Du Quoin. She was born 31 March 1892 and died 18 April 1968 in Du Quoin. Their three children were Roger, Katherine, and Johanna. Roger married Shirley Moore, Perryville, Missouri, and their children are Roger (Kathleen), Mary (Mrs. Mark Unangst), and Nancy (Mrs. Kevin Cartee). Roger and Shirley made their home in Alton, Illinois. Katherine married Jon O'Connor and their children are Kathy, Dan, Jim and Mary Margaret and they made their home in Springfield, Massachusetts. Johanna was a nurse and retired in Alton, Illinois. In later years Tony lived with his children. He died 17 March



1981 at age 93 and is buried at Sacred Heart. Submitted by Johanna Schleper and Janet Schleper Austin.

## SCHLEPER-ROGERS

Clement Joseph was called "Clem" and he was the tenth child of Frank J. Schleper Sr. of Du Quoin and Anna Huelsmann of Waterloo, Illinois, born 13 September 1898. Clem married Edythe Rogers on 03 May 1923 at Sacred Heart. Clem's older brother Tony had married Edythe's sister Winifred in 1919. Their parents were Hannah Reddington (1860-1929) and Charles Rogers (1857-1931). Rogers' family consisted of Charles, Albert, Winifred, Edythe, John, and Katherine. Edythe and Winifred were grade school teachers in St. Johns. They would take a mule-drawn railroad trolley from Du Quoin to St. Johns. Edythe was active in Sacred Heart Parent-Teacher Association and Catholic Daughters.



Edythe and Clem Schleper.

Clem began working for the United States Post Office as a mail carrier in 1920. The friends, neighbors, and customers loved Clem, who was an outgoing happy man. On 24 December 1958 Clem retired from the Du Quoin Post Office after 38 years on the route. His customers gave him a retirement party, a gold watch, and \$38 in one dollar bills. Retirement was too quiet for Clem. He went to work selling postal workers' outfits and shoes for Feldman Brothers Clothing Store in a seven-state area. He loved being on the road and meeting new people, but missed Edythe. Clem was a Fourth Degree Knights of Columbus.

Edythe died 06 September 1978 in Du Quoin. Clem, 87, of Evansville, Indiana, formerly of 608 North Washington, Du Quoin, died 27 September 1985 in Evansville. He was buried at Sacred heart Cemetery next to Edythe.

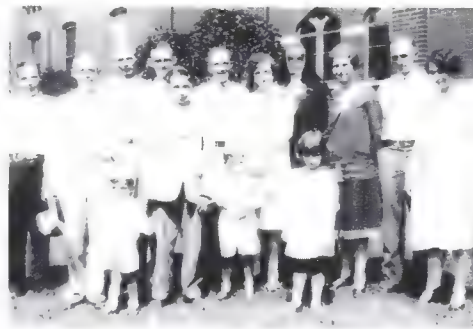
Clem and Edith had two sons: son Charles moved to Evansville, Indiana and worked for the newspaper. Charles married Anne Pampe of Evansville, Indiana on 03 May 1969. They have two sons: Michael and David, who married Amanda on 03 May 1997 in Indianapolis. The couple chose the same marriage day and month as their parents and grandparents.

Son John married Virginia Martell, West Frankfort, Illinois, on 06 September 1967. Their children are Cameron and Jennifer. Jennifer's son is Garritt. Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin.

## SCHLEPER-WEAR

Gerhardt Anton "Jerry" Schleper is the ninth child of Frank J. Schleper Sr., formerly of Teutopolis, and Anna Huelsmann, his second wife, of Waterloo, Illinois. Jerry was born 28 January 1897 in the Schleper house. Jerry had an outgoing

personality that attracted people to him. After the eighth grade, Jerry got a job outside the family business.



Schleper Family: (front) Roger Schleper, Frank Schleper III, Gene Sanford, Mary Ann Sanford, (back) Charles Sanford, Tony Schleper, Frank Schleper, Godfrey Schleper, Jerry Schleper, Gert Schleper Sanford, Sister Illuminata (Josephine Schleper), Annie Schleper, Clem and Edythe Schleper.

On 17 January 1921 the Du Quoin Call reported that the Model Clothing Store would be under a new manager, Joseph Davison. The Model had a reputation of handling splendid, up-to-date lines of men's and young men's clothing and furnishings, brands like Hart Schaffner & Marx. Jerry will remain at the Model. He is a most courteous and obliging clerk. In November 1924 oldest brother Frank Jr. and Jerry opened Schleper's Bostonian Clothing Store at 28 West Main Street, Du Quoin. The building was owned by the Schleper brothers. Frank retired on 13 February 1929 and Jerry purchased Frank's half interest, leaving Jerry as sole owner of the business. The store was robbed several times and the merchandise was never recovered. Jerry had to absorb the losses. Times were difficult since the 1929 stock market and miners' strike. He was forced to sell his business to cover the bank loan in 1932.

Jerry married Emma Wear (1895-1959) of Du Quoin. The couple moved to Milwaukee where Jerry sold men's clothing as a traveling salesman. Later, the couple moved back to Du Quoin for a time and then moved to Scottsdale, Arizona, because of Jerry's arthritis. They opened the "Pottery Shop-Illinois". Jerry died in Arizona on 14 November 1958 and Emma had his body shipped back for the burial at the Schleper lot at Sacred Heart Cemetery. Emma died in 1959. Her body was interred at the IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, next to her parents. They had no children. Submitted by Janet Schleper Austin.

## SCHMALRIEDE-LAUFER

Katharine E. Laufer, born 26 May 1873 at Centralia, the sixth child of Nicolaus and Anna Regina (Kaffenberger) Laufer (see Laufer-Kaffenberger history), was married 18 June 1891 at Pinckneyville, Illinois to Christian Theobald Schmalriede, born 06 February 1869, son of Christian and Louisa (Holts) Schmalriede. Christian and Katharine E. were the parents of nine children: Anna Louise Katharine, Sophie Henriette, Louis Theobald Christian, Wilhelmine Cath. "Minnie", Lydia Marie, Clara Philippine, Fred William, Henry George Adam, and Emma Elisabeth Henriette. Katharine died 20 March 1945 and Christian died 29 December 1948 at Pinckneyville.

Anna L., born 30 April 1892 in Perry County, was married 09 April 1913 at Pinckneyville to Peter Bauer, born 17 January 1888 at Pinckneyville, son of Peter and Elisabeth (Hopp) Bauer. They had five children: Pete James, Ematine, William A., Edwin G., and Leland Ray. Anna died 24 July 1951 (see Bauer-Schmalriede history).

Sophie H., born 23 October 1893 at Pinckneyville, was married 18 March 1914 to Edward Robert Valentin, born 20 September 1890 in Perry County, son of George and Caroline (Timpner) Valentin. They had two children: Arthur Allen and Henry Wilbert George. Sophie H. died 27 October 1946 and Edward died 25 June 1972 (see Valentin-Schmalriede history).

Louis Theobald Christian was born 21 January 1895 at Pinckneyville and died in 1897.

Wilhelmine Cath. "Minnie" was born 13 October 1896 at Pinckneyville and died 09 April 1899 at Pinckneyville. She is buried in the Mueller Hill Cemetery.

Lydia M. was born 20 June 1898 and was married 23 February 1925 to William Adam Bathon, born 22 February 1896, son of Andrew and Ann (Goldman) Bathon. They had eight children: Eutola Catherine, Lawrence Frederick, Lillian Anna, Leonard Christian, Alfred George, William Adam, Eugene Paul, and Sylvester Edward. Lydia M. died 25 August 1967 (see Bathon-Schmalriede history).

Clara P. was born 02 March 1900 at Pinckneyville and was married 06 January 1923 at Pinckneyville to Herbert Douglas Rice, born 21 December 1903 at Tamaroa, son of Douglas and Martha (Loucks) Rice. They had three children: Ina, Fred and Ruth. Clara P. died 10 August 1944 (see Rice-Schmalriede history).

Fred W. was born 16 November 1901 in Perry County and was married 06 June 1926 at St. Louis, Missouri to Martha Caupert, born 16 February 1907 in Perry County, daughter of Carl and Marie (Brune) Caupert. They had one son, born and died 21 March 1940, buried in New Bethlehem Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri. Fred W. died July 1980 and Martha died in December 1993 in Pinckneyville.

Henry G. was born 03 January 1906 at Pinckneyville and was married 19 August 1927 to Margarethe Magdalene Catharine "Lena" Valentin, born 20 April 1903, daughter of George and Caroline (Timpner) Valentin. Henry G. and Lena had no children.

Emma E. was born 27 July 1907 in Perry County and was married 26 February 1927 at Pinckneyville to Henry Krug, born 04 February 1903, son of Conrad and Pauline (Dietz) Krug. They had two children: Marjorie Mae and Donald Dean. Henry died 24 November 1960 (see Krug-Schmalriede history). Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.

## SCHRADER-CAUPTERT

Edwin Schrader and Flossine (Caupert) Schrader of rural Cutler, known as Lost Prairie, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on 02 October 1998 and have lived all their married life on their small farm. For twenty years (1949-1969) they operated a Grade A dairy operation and became parents of three children: Carol, born 13 March 1950; Clifford, born 23 January 1955; and Ralph, born 30 October 1956. Edwin was active in dairy committees, served on the local Lost



Prairie Consolidated 205 School board and Parent-Teacher Association, served as Director of the Perry County Farm Bureau and ASCS Committee for many years. He has also been Chairman of the congregation of the Trinity Lutheran Church of Conant, Illinois for almost fifty years and is on the Board of the American Threshermen Association. For fifteen years he was elected to serve as Township 4 Road Commissioner, retiring in the spring of 1993. Flossine was an active participant in the dairy operation, besides being a homemaker and mother, and pursued a hobby of cake decorating which almost became a business for thirty years, until health problems forced her retirement also. Meantime she was active in the Parent-Teacher Association at 205 school, taught Sunday School and served many years on the Perry County Farm Bureau Women's Committee, progressing to Vice President of the Illinois State Women's Committee. Currently she continues to take an interest in making quilts and appliqueing and is an avid Pie Bird collector.



*Edwin and Flossine Schrader.*

Edwin was born on 15 February 1925, the middle child of seven, whose parents were William H. and Clara (Caupert) Schrader of rural Pinckneyville (southeast of Conant, Illinois). He attended parochial school at Trinity Lutheran Church and also at the one-room Van Brunt School. He was deferred from the Army during World War II because of the great need for food production to serve the country's needs. His siblings are Clarence, Edna, Gertrude (deceased), Wilma, William T., and Harold.

Flossine was born on 12 December 1929 in rural Pinckneyville to Alfred and Cordia (Beck) Caupert. She has an identical twin sister, Irene, and grew up about one mile north of Jamestown and attended the one-room Kraft School and Pinckneyville Community High School, Class of 1946. Flossine was an office secretary in St. Louis for 2 1/2 years (1946-1948) before returning to marry Edwin and settle in Lost Prairie.

Edwin and Flossine are both serving on the Perpetual Care Committee of the Trinity Lutheran Cemetery on Route 154, and Flossine served as Coordinator from 1993-1997 of the four-year restoration of the Trinity Lutheran Church Centennial event, held in 1997 and 1998. Both are active in the Perry County Historical Society and the Perry County Jail Museum.

Their oldest child, Carol, graduated from the University of Illinois in 1972 and in 1973 married Al Beck and they reside in Columbia, Illinois. She is working in the banking industry in St. Louis, Missouri. Clifford has worked at various jobs, being self-employed at farming while working for Spartan Printing, and at Captain Mine for some years and is currently attending Eastern University

of Illinois at Charleston to become a teacher of Industrial Technology soon. He is a private pilot, having built his own airplane and enjoys the hobby very much, as well as woodworking. Ralph worked at the Captain Mine for many years as a Master Electrician and in 1996 transferred to Granite City Steel as an electrician and resides at Highland, Illinois and shares a hobby with his father, restoring antique tractors. His children are Denise Schrader who is studying toward a nursing career, Caleb Schrader, serving at this writing in the Army at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri and Season Schrader, who is a senior at Trico High School and will graduate with the Class of 1998.

The history of the Schrader family can be found on pages 304 and 305 in Volume I of the Perry County History Book, and the Caupert family background can be found on page 374 of the same book published ten years ago.

## SCHRADER-YUNG

Pictured is the William "Bill", Georgia (Yung), Rhonda and Chad Schrader family. Bill, the sixth of seven children of the William H. and Clara (Caupert) Schrader family was born 12 July 1929 in Perry County, Illinois (Conant area). Bill attended school at Van Brunt. He served four years in the Air Force as a medic. He was a member of the crash crew and also had hospital duty in various wards during the Korean War. After being discharged, Bill returned to the Pinckneyville area to farm and truck livestock to the yards. Georgia (Yung) Schrader, born 09 March 1937, is the third of three children of the family of Adolph and Elizabeth (Meyer) Yung of the Brush Prairie area. Georgia attended Brush Prairie School and Pinckneyville High School. After graduation Georgia was employed in St. Louis for one year and then returned to work at the Perry County Courthouse and later was employed at Murphy-Wall Bank. Georgia's hobby is writing poetry.



*Bill, Georgia, Rhonda and Chad Schrader Family.*

Bill and Georgia were married 16 November 1958. Two children were born to this union: Rhonda and Chad. Dr. Rhonda, an optometrist, is practicing in Cookeville, Tennessee. Chad is back in school after serving two years in the Navy aboard the aircraft carrier USS John F. Kennedy during the Gulf War. He worked as a member of the catapult crew launching planes. Chad now resides near Pinckneyville, Illinois. *Submitted by Bill Schrader.*

## SCHUMAIER

Information from Mathilda Schumaier's family taken from her mother's diary.

In 1874 we immigrated to America, our trip from Russia to America. The passport costs 22

rubles, departed from Sarata the 23rd of April early at 3 o'clock in the morning, the 24th in Odessa, the 25th at 9 o'clock on the railroad paid 48 rubles, for luggage 14 rubles, together 62 rubles. The 26th April from Bodwoloschig to Osswischen paid 52 rubles, the 27th of April 5 o'clock in the morning arrived at Krakow rain in Osswischen, paid 21 dollars, the 28th at 11 o'clock traveled to Breslau, arrived there at 11 o'clock at night and left again at 11 o'clock the 28th. From Breslau to Berlin paid, the 29th in Breslau 36 dollars together through Ronigszelt to Berlin, the first of May arrived in Hamburg at 6 and at 9 we were on the Elbe, in good sailing weather on the North Sea, the 3rd we arrived at 10 o'clock in the morning in France, in the big city of LaHavre, heavy rain. Saturday we left LaHavre in good weather, in the big ocean, the 5th good weather, the 6th of May somewhat stormy, in Berlin we made a ship contract, and traveled to Hamburg without expense, the 7th somewhat stormy the 8th the same weather, the 9th the sea was quiet in the evening with fog and rain, the 10th darker fog, rain, the 11th fog and rain, the 12th clear and cold air, from the 10th to the 12th against the wind, the 13th clear sky and good weather, arrived at 1 o'clock in the afternoon in Castlegarden. Looked after baggage and train connections until 5 o'clock the 15th, from New York traveled in good weather, for the conductor paid 48 dollars, for the luggage 7 dollars and 90 cents, for food 5 dollars and 50 cents.

The 15th 6 in the evening traveled until about 8 the 16th on the Pennsylvania Railroad traveled to Pittsburgh in good weather, early the 16th at 7 o'clock in the morning left the sea behind, traveled until 10 o'clock along the water and over a high mountain, at noon through a tunnel, afternoon through a tunnel and then through 6 tunnels, the 16th of May traveled to Pittsburgh. Arrived at 11 o'clock at night. The 17th at 2 o'clock left Pittsburgh, arrived in Columbus at noon, departed for Effingham through Kondsmit at 4, arrived in Effingham the 18th at 3 o'clock in the morning, at 5 o'clock in the morning left for Centralia, to Tamaroa paid 5 dollars and 45 cents, arrived in Pinckneyville at 5 o'clock, from Tamaroa to Pinckneyville paid 3 dollars arrived in Brush Prairie at 8 o'clock in the evening.

From Hamburg to LaHavre 500 miles. The ship was the Gilesia and its captain was Captain Wilhem Habich. They traveled 3880 miles on the sea, saw land 10 days and 7 hours from LeHavre. Schumaier passengers included Jacob (28 years), Caroline (25 years), and Elizabeth (9 months). Mayer passengers included Martin (54 years), Marianne (51 years), Catherine (11 years), Martin Jr. (9 years), and Marie (11 months). *Submitted by Doris Porter.*

## SHURTZ-MC GILL

David Platt Shurtz, born 19 February 1870, and Minnie Jane McGill, born 18 December 1875, grew up near Mt. Vernon, Illinois. They married in the spring of 1891.

Although just 21, Dave was known as a woodsman, craftsman, and animal handler. He used just an ax to split shingles and pales that he twisted into heavy wire for fencing.

Dave and Minnie started life in a small log cabin on the Captain Hans place, in the northeast corner of Perry County. He worked out the timber and fenced and tended the cattle for the Captain and was allowed to add onto the cabin as their



babies came. Those babies were: Clarence Andrew (02 February 1892), Etta Mary (04 May 1894), Druzine Marie (30 March 1896), Frank Haines (19 February 1901; author's father), John Hans (08 May 1903; named to honor the old Captain). With timber and fences all completed, they moved on to another tender's cabin to begin repairs on the Charlie Watson place.

Frank was three years and nine months old when they moved and in the spring of 1905 a small pony was bought and Clarence taught him to ride so he could herd their stock. He was too short to wade the weeds. Eventually, Frank became a very skilled horseman. He started school at East Linn in 1906 and it was teacher Zelma Rice's first year to teach. Though he was sickly, he figured he got about a year and a half done there. Frank remembers helping Clarence push mud and chink into the cabin.



(back)Hilda, Frank Jerome, Eleanor, (front) Frank Haines, Elnora Shurtz.

They moved to the Hawkins place near the Lee graveyard where Alberta was born, 31 October 1908, and Frank went to school one more year at Roots School. Always a wizard at math, he was also a master story and letter writer.

Clarence eventually married Minnie Crane. Their children are French, Pauline, Davey Harriet (she rests in Lee graveyard), and Hubert.

Etta married Earl Foutch. Their children are Morris, Lester, Ardell, and Ivan-only Ivan survives.

Marie married Martin Norris and raised their children at Hardscrabble. Eloise, Helen, Frank, Frances and Loretta are their children.

Frank married Elnora Revelle, daughter of Axum and Elsie from near Sunfield. Their children are Hilda Earline, Wayne Martel, Eleanor Lou, and Frank Jerome.

John Hans married Floy Merile Preston from the Paradise area just south of Tamaroa, Illinois. They raised Marion Ray, Marietta, John David (died in infancy), Dale, Jane and Floy Ann. A horrible mine accident injured John so they moved to St. Louis, Missouri.

Alberta married Frank Smith, moved to St. Louis, and adopted John David Smith.

When the author was four her father took her to the Perry County Courthouse. She was simply transfixed by its beauty so her father had to drag her along as she stared up and down and around. He explained that her name and birthday were registered there in a big book. It was her first memory of feeling overwhelmed with pride. It still happens every time she passes it.

Dave and Minnie are interred in Paradise Cemetery. Submitted by Hilda Shurtz Isom Walker.

## SCHWEBEL

Rita Dolores (Carter) Schwebel, born 25 July 1950 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky, was the fifth child of eleven children (seven boys, one died in 1992, and four girls, one died in infancy) born to Homer Harding Carter, born 02 November 1920 in Lorain, Lorain County, Ohio and Agnes Dolores Ann Lynch, born 21 November 1922 in Louisville, Jefferson County, Kentucky. Her great, great, great, great grandfather, Thomas Francis Carter, 1748-1846, descended from Ireland.

In December 1953, Rita's family moved from Louisville, Kentucky to Sparta, Illinois. She graduated from Sparta Lincoln Grade School in 1964 and Sparta Community High School in 1968. After graduation in 1968, Rita moved to Murphysboro, Illinois and became employed at the Jackson County Nursing Home while her family moved to Normandy, Missouri. In 1969, Rita attended a nurse training program at Christian Northwest Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri and during this time, her family moved to Phoenix, Arizona and later to Portland, Oregon. Currently, some of her family resides in Oregon, some in Washington, some in California and some in Illinois.

On 01 March 1969, Rita married Harry Eugene Homan in Murphysboro, Illinois. To this marriage, Lisa Dawn Homan was born 15 November 1969 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois. In January 1971, Rita, Harry, and Lisa moved to DeSoto, Illinois where Rita became a licensed childcare provider in the DeSoto home. In August 1976, Rita became employed as a press operator at MCA Records in Pinckneyville. On 31 August 1976, Rita and Harry were divorced.

On 12 August 1977, Rita and Lisa moved to Pinckneyville, Illinois. From August 1977 to September 1979, Rita was employed as a Health Officer at the Pinckneyville Police Department. On 27 November 1979, she became employed at MCA Records as an administrative clerk.

On 04 July 1986, Rita married Charles Edward Schwebel in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Charles owned and operated Schwebel Funeral Home, formerly Doerr-Schwebel Funeral Chapel. Rita and Charles were divorced 08 October 1987. Charles was killed in a motorcycle accident on 15 May 1997.

On 27 May 1988 Rita's daughter, Lisa, graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School. On 28 October 1988, Lisa married Rodney Lynn Musielak in Paducah, Kentucky. To this marriage, Nichole Lynn Musielak was born 08 May 1989 and Becka Dawn Musielak was born 30 July 1991, both in Sparta, Illinois. Lisa and her family currently reside in Pinckneyville.

On 14 January 1993, Rita's position at MCA Records was eliminated and she became a dislocated worker. From September 1993 to May 1995, she attended a two-year medical records technician training program at Rend Lake College, Ina, Illinois. She graduated May 1995 with an Associate Degree in Applied Science and a grade point average of 3.9 on a 4.0 scale. In October 1995 she became an Accredited Record Technician after passing a national credentialing exam. On 04 December 1995, she became employed at Memorial Hospital at Carbondale, Illinois where she is currently employed. Rita presently owns her home and resides in Pinckneyville.

## SCHWARTZ

The first Schwartz family in southern Illinois was Jacob and Catharine Kimmel Schwartz. They come from Somerset County, Pennsylvania with their children in 1817 and settled on a farm her father bought her across the Big Muddy River from Brownsville, Illinois. After a few years he returned to Pennsylvania leaving her and the children in Illinois. He is buried at Salisbury, Pennsylvania and she is buried at the Hagler Cemetery, near Pomona, Illinois. Among their children were: George, William, Edward, Catharine, Jacob, Lydia, John, Benton and Henry.

There were several Kimmel families that came to Perry County and settled in the Elkhaville area. The son of Jacob and Catharine Kimmel Schwartz, Edward, married Sarah Pyle, the daughter of John "Jack" Pyle and Mary "Polly" Wells. She was born in Christian County, Kentucky. John Pyle is buried near Reese Creek, northeast of Du Quoin.

Edward Schwartz bought land from the government in 1825 for \$1.25 per acre. The farm was one mile west of Elkhaville across the road to the east of the Elkhaville "Kimmel" Cemetery. He built a log cabin that was said to be one of the first buildings on Elk Prairie.

Mary Wells Pyle's parents were Lewis and Elizabeth Bates Wells. They settled west of Du Quoin and are buried at the McElvain Cemetery.

Edward and Sarah Pyle Schwartz had eight children: William 1826, Isabelle, Eliza, Hiram, Elizabeth, Edward 1828, Horatio 1835, and Josiah 1838. After Edward died Sarah married George Schwartz, brother of Edward, and had two more children: Samuel and Mary 1852. Mary Schwartz married Robert McElvain and they are buried at the Elkhaville "Kimmel" Cemetery.

Edward Schwartz is buried at the McElvain Cemetery and Sarah Pyle Schwartz is buried at the Elkhaville "Kimmel" Cemetery.

Horatio, son of Edward and Sarah Pyle Schwartz, first farmed and then, after he married, managed a hotel in Du Quoin. His wife was Luana Browning from an old family in Franklin County. All of the children of Horatio and Luana were born in Du Quoin. The children were: Charles Theodore, William Jeddy, Minnie Dell, Robert and Laura Bell. Charles Theodore and Minnie Dell both died when they were less than a year old and are buried at the McElvain Cemetery next to their grandfather, Edward Schwartz.

Luana Browning Schwartz was the daughter of William R. Browning and Lydia Dry. William R. Browning and his twin brother, James K. Browning, were the first white children born in Franklin County, Illinois.

Lydia Dry was the daughter of Daniel Dry and Barbara Lipe. Daniel was one of the first merchants in Old Du Quoin. The first deed on record in Perry County is for Daniel Dry. Daniel and Barbara Lipe Dry came from North Carolina where they were born. They are buried at the McElvain Cemetery.

Barbara Lipe Dry was the daughter of Leonard and Barbara Wentz Lipe. They lived on Nine Mile Prairie. Leonard Lipe is buried at the Nine Mile Baptist Church Cemetery.

## SEIBERT-ARNDALL

Jacob George Seibert was born 18 January 1887 to Ferdinand Seibert and Mary (Kunz) Seibert of Du Quoin. Jacob married Elizabeth Jane



Arndell 17 April 1912 in Jackson County. Her parents were Nathan Arndell (born 11 May 1864; died 26 March 1951) and Nancy Rosetta Nichols (1866-1918). Elizabeth and Jacob had a farm in Perry County but moved into Du Quoin in 1939 and rented their farm to their son Frederick and his wife, Lois. Jacob and Elizabeth had nine children as listed in order: Frederick Roy (1912-1986), married Lois Fox; Inez Marie (1914), married Edward Davitz (1911-1962), married second husband Orval Davis (1912-1992); Hilda Catherine (1916), married William Blumenstock (1913-1969); Rudolph Carl (1918-1992); Jake Andrew (1921-1986); Lucille (1923) married Dale Coffel (1920-1988); Catherine Virginia (1926-1993) married Lewis Eisenhower (1923); Betty Lou (1929) married George Ruppert (they divorced) and then married Marvin Glenn Erdman (1930-1982); and Verna Lee (1935), married Aloysius Epplin (1923-1988).

Jacob died 05 May 1944 and was laid out at home. Elizabeth sold their farm in 1946 and continued to live in Du Quoin. She worked for area restaurants baking pies. She passed away 02 August 1984. She and Jacob are buried at Sacred Heart Cemetery.

## SHARP-TIMPNER

On 11 December 1941, at Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois, Marcella Rae was born to Margaret and Edward C. Timpner of Pinckneyville. She was a confirmed member of St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church in Pinckneyville. She attended Ozburn and Bigham schools and graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School. She was active in the Pyatt Farmerettes 4-H Club and attended the Illinois State Fair in Springfield giving food demonstrations. She enjoyed square dancing with her fellow 4-H members. After attending Southern Illinois University for three years, she married James Bowman Sharp, Jr. whom she had met at a college dance.

James Bowman was born 25 June 1940 in Bloomington, Indiana, the son of Dolores and James B. Sharp, Sr. A year later, the family moved to Edwardsville, Illinois. Jim attended grade school at Columbus School and graduated from Edwardsville High School. During his youth, he was active in Cub and Boy Scouts, was a paper carrier for the Edwardsville Intelligencer, and played the clarinet from fifth grade through high school. He graduated from Southern Illinois University in 1962 with a major in math and a minor in geography. Shortly after graduation, he entered the Air Force and a few months later married his college sweetheart, Marcella Timpner.

After their marriage on 27 December 1962, their Air Force life found them living in Waco, Texas; Sacramento, California; and Loring Air Force Base, Maine. Jim was a navigator on a B-52. In 1967, they moved to Herrin, Illinois when Jim attended Southern Illinois University. In 1969 they moved to Thomasboro, Illinois where Jim was an instructor at Chanute Air Force Base. While there, they became members of Peace Lutheran Church. It was in 1973 when they first used Shaklee products and fell in love with them. They became active distributors and then Supervisors as they enjoyed sharing these great products with others. Marcella became involved as a Girl Scout leader and both she and Jim led a Boy Scout troop.

In 1979, they moved to Brookfield, Connecticut where Jim took a job as a technical writer. Two years later, Marcella joined the workforce as Administrative Assistant for the United Way of Northern Fairfield County. She continues to work there as well as sharing Shaklee products. They became active at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church. Marcella is very active in the women's group both locally and in the synod.

Their children are Joseph Alan, born 17 June 1964 in Sacramento, California; Laurel Ann, born 18 January 1968 in Herrin, Illinois; and Barbara Ellen, born 26 March 1972 to Urbana, Illinois. On 10 October 1987, Joe married Laurie Joy Shute and has two sons, Justin Marc, born 05 November 1990 and Jesse Bowman, born 15 June 1992. Laurie married Gary Robert Gaudette on 20 July 1991 and have one son, Peter Matthew, born 07 February 1994. Barbara married Scott Edward Paquin on 06 June 1992 and has three children, Chelsea Winter, born 23 January 1993; Cody Scott, born 10 February 1995; and Cori Noelle, born 02 December 1997.

## SHURTZ-CORGAN-LOYD

Dahl R. Shurtz is the second son of Darrell M. and Inez Quinn Shurtz. Born 22 December 1936 in Gary, Lake County, Indiana, he graduated from Tamaroa High School with the class of 1955. He served three years in the United States Marine Corps from 1955 to 1958. Dahl returned to Tamaroa after military service and has been engaged in farming, mine construction, and machine shop business in southern Illinois ever since. He is currently living on the family farm north and east of the Tamaroa city limits. This farm was known for years as "The Bill Apple Farm" and was purchased in 1949 by Darrell Shurtz and in 1969 by Dahl Shurtz. Dahl and Llona, his wife, have six children: Tammy born 29 May 1962 (deceased), Daphne born 26 April 1963, Tracy born 29 April 1964, Danny born 22 February 1966, Aaron born 23 October 1968, and Clinton born 09 January 1980.



Aaron, Danny, Clinton, Inez, Dahl, Llona, Darrell, Daphne, and Tracy Shurtz.

At one time this farm had a large clay pit and brick kiln where many of the red brick used throughout the area were manufactured. Scars in the hills and broken brick can still be found to document its history.

Dahl is the great-great-great grandson of William Corgan who was born 28 February 1807 in Camden, North Carolina. He emigrated with his parents and settled in Alto Pass, Union County, Illinois. He married in Alto Pass on 25 March 1828 to Mary Parmaley, born 21 March 1812, died 22 October 1892. This record of marriage is one of the earliest on file in the Union County

Courthouse in Jonesboro, Illinois. On 03 May 1854 he moved to Coloma, later known as Du Bois, Washington County, Illinois, until 1860.

On 13 October 1860 William purchased part of lots 9 and 10, block 6 in the town of Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois. In 1860 the Federal Census shows William, age 73, living in Tamaroa, Illinois with his wife Mary, as a retired farmer. William died 21 December 1891 at age 84. Mary died 22 October 1892. Both are buried in Tamaroa Cemetery in the family plot at the southeast corner along Blue Jay Road.



The Menzo Shurtz family in Tamaroa, Illinois 1939-40 at the house just south of the Christian Church on Route 51-Ina Corgan Shurtz with Randall Shurtz in front, Madelynn Shurtz with Dahl Shurtz in front, Darrell Shurtz in front of Dahl, Inez Quinn Shurtz (Stanley), Mike Shurtz behind Maxine Hughs Shurtz, and Menzo Shurtz in front of Maxine.

William was the first son of Patrick and Polly (Singleton) Corgan. Patrick was born in Dublin, Ireland in 1760 and came to the United States as a stowaway. Upon reaching the United States he changed his name from Corigan to Corgan. He lived in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and served in the Revolutionary War. He married Polly Singleton in Camden, North Carolina in 1806. Patrick also served in the war of 1812 while migrating through Tennessee toward Illinois (1814-1815). Patrick was the first school teacher in Dutch Ridge, Jackson County, Illinois.

Patrick Corgan's father was Patrick Corrigan, son of Sir Dominic John Corrigan of Cappagh and Inniscorrig County, Dublin, Ireland. His mother was Margaret McQuaid married 1741 Dublin, Ireland.

Sir Dominic was knighted by King George I or II. He was vice chancellor of Queen's University in Ireland and a member of Parliament for Dublin. He was of a wealthy Catholic family. Patrick changed his name and religion upon reaching the United States. His parents wanted him to become a priest but he chose not to.

Dahl's great-great grandfather was William Riley, born 28 August 1837 and died 08 December 1858, the fourth child of William Corgan. He married Ruth Ann Stradley (died 31 October 1858) at Du Bois, Illinois. They are buried at Chapel Hill Cemetery in Du Bois.

Dahl's great grandfather was Walter Scott Corgan, third child of William Riley and Ruth Ann Stradley Corgan, born 21 March 1864 in Du Bois and died 22 November 1940. He married 26 October 1884 to Elvira Ridener who was born 06 May 1864 and died 06 December 1937. The service was performed by his father, William Riley Corgan. Both were buried at Chapel Hill Cemetery.

Dahl's grandmother, Ina Amsley Corgan, born 06 December 1896 and died 30 August 1942,



was married 06 June 1913 to Menzo Gale Shurtz, born 12 June 1891 in Jefferson County and died 12 June 1962. Ina and Menzo moved to Tamaroa about 1940. Ina died at home, just south of the Christian Church on Route 51. Menzo died at Marshall Browning Hospital on his birthday while waiting to be discharged.

Darrell Shurtz, born 25 April 1914 in Jefferson County, Illinois, was the first child of Menzo and Ina Corgan Shurtz. He died 29 April 1995. Darrell married Inez Quinn on 20 June 1933 in Nashville, Washington County, Illinois. Inez was born 05 November 1914, is currently living on the family farm. After marriage, Darrell and Inez lived and worked at Du Bois and Anna in Illinois and Gary, Indiana at the steel mill during World War II. They moved to Woodhull, Illinois in 1942 and became International Harvester dealers, then moved to Tamaroa, Perry County, in 1949 where many family members have lived and gone to school since. Darrell is buried in the Tamaroa Cemetery.

Dahl's wife, Llona, is the daughter of Leonard and Jane (Cummings) Loyd, whom were residents of Tamaroa, Illinois since about 1960. Both were from DeSoto, Illinois and are buried in the DeSoto Cemetery.

Dahl and Llona's children are now grown. Daphne (Shurtz) Whistler is a vice-president with Magna Group; Tracy (Shurtz) Davis is a mother of two and a Licensed Practical Nurse; Danny is a fireman-paramedic with the Granite City Fire Department and Arch Air Ambulance Service of St. Louis, is single and the father of two sons, Aaron, who is married and a paramedic with Jackson County, and Clinton who is a senior at Pinckneyville High school and will major in music at Southern Illinois University next year.

The Shurtz family as a whole in Perry County is a descendant of Andrew Shurtz (German descent) and Anne Jefferson (niece of President Jefferson). They were married in Chillicothe, Ohio 16 September 1805 by Justice of the Peace James Taylor. Andrew Jackson Shurtz, grandson of Andrew and father of Menzo, settled in Jefferson County, Illinois in 1859. Andrew was married three times and had sixteen children from the last two marriages. These children soon scattered to surrounding towns and counties to start their own families and careers. Many settled in Perry County. Andrew Shurtz was a Captain in the War of 1812. Andrew Jackson Shurtz served with the 32nd Col. Infantry with General Sherman in 1864. *Prepared by Dahl R. Shurtz from family history.*

## SIEFERT-RICHERSON

Joe A. Siefert is the second son of Joe J. and Eva Potts Siefert born 18 May 1931 in the rural Du Quoin area. He attended the Dowell-Elkville school system. He went to school during the day and hauled coal, cattle, or anything at night. In 1949 Joe and his brother, Frank, built a building on South 51 known as Siefert Brothers Trucking. Their father joined the business in 1951. They served 48 states in trucking. Frank was killed in a truck accident in 1961. In January 1952 Joe married Jo Ann Richerson, daughter of Joe and Marie Pugh Richerson. They live on Madison Street in Du Quoin.

In 1972 Siefert Brothers Trucking was dissolved and Big "S" Transports, Incorporated began. In 1979 Big "S" moved to its present location in Du Quoin which is the old Midwest

building and property. Joe is still trucking with son Charles operating a big truck repair shop. They work 24 hours per day, seven days per week most of the time.

Joe was inducted into the Army in 1952. He served in the motor pool being on the front line quite often in Korea. He was discharged in 1953.



*Debbie Woll, JoAnn Siefert, Joe Siefert, Eva Marie Berg, and Charles Siefert.*

In 1954 a daughter, Eva Marie, was born. She married Richard Berg from Du Quoin and they have a son, John Nicholas. They had been married for 20 years before the birth of their son and had lived in Lexington, Kentucky; Springfield, Illinois; Danville, California; Cincinnati, Ohio; Kansas City, Kansas; and now live in Gromley, Ontario.

In 1956 a son, Joseph Wayne, was born to Joe and Jo Ann. He was killed in a motorcycle accident in 1977 right before his 21st birthday. In 1958 a daughter, Debra Lee, was born. She married Joe Woll who was born on the same day in the same hospital. They have two daughters, Ashlee Marie and Danielle Nicole, and live in Du Quoin.

Finally, in 1961, Joe and Jo Ann were blessed with a set of twin boys, Charles Frank and Carl Michael. Carl Michael died with heart problems only two months and 26 days later. Charles, president of Big "S", married Debra Jo Harris in 1989. They have a son, Frank Charles, and a daughter, Erika Lee. All the children of Joe and Jo Ann graduated from the Du Quoin High School, as did Jo Ann.

Last January Joe and Jo Ann celebrated their 46th wedding anniversary and in October of 1998, Jo Ann will celebrate her 45th Class Reunion in Du Quoin.

## SIEFERT-SCHROEDER

Michael John Siefert was born in Hamburg, Germany in 1822. His wife, Elizabeth Schroeder, was also born in Hamburg, Germany in 1827. Michael and Elizabeth were married in St. Clair County, Illinois in June 1848. Children born to this farm family who migrated to Old Du Quoin were: Charles; John, married Melissa Bowlin; Anna, married Albert Ketcher; Henry, married Ann Page; William, married Monroe Young; and Elizabeth, married Cyrus Young.

Charles and Elizabeth Shook Siefert moved to Old Du Quoin in the late 1800s and were farmers. Children born to Charles and Elizabeth: George, Florence, Arthur, and Susan. Florence never married and died in 1959. Arthur married Clara Mann and had one son, Charles. Susan married Val Pflanz and had two daughters, Helen and Ethel. George married Margaret Harriss 05 September 1900 in the home of the bride.

George and Margaret's children were Charles Harriss, Arthur M., and George Clifton. Arthur died in 1919 at the age of four during the flu epidemic. George Clifton Siefert married Oradell Elschid and they had five children. Billy George, Nancy, Brenda, Jim and Tom were born in Perry County. They moved to Lafayette, Indiana area where they now reside.



*The Charles H. Siefert Family.*

Charles Harriss Siefert married Myrtle Maude Beard, daughter of Charles and Lillie Smith Beard, 27 November 1922. Charles and Myrtle had thirteen children. Stella May, Carroll Dean, and Roger Allen died in infancy. Charles Noel married Marilyn Alvis; Vern married Francis Sharp; Audrey married Merele Taylor; Ilene married Carl Tregoning; Betty married Nick Dolce; Margie married Charles Milieur; Glenn married Marilyn Thompson; Donald married Betty Smith; Janet married Norman Neville; and Herschel married Eileen Jahnke. Vern died in 1966.

Charles, Audrey, Ilene, Donald, Janet, Herschel and Betty live in Perry County. All of Charles and Myrtle's children attended Du Quoin High School except Vern and he attended a technical school. All five of the sons served in the United States Armed Forces. *Submitted by Audrey L. Taylor.*

## SLUSHER-MATHIS

Marion F. Slusher was born circa 1848, place unknown. When he was about 12 years of age and a brother David 10 years of age, Indians attacked and killed their migrating parents in Kentucky. Thus, Marion did not know his exact age. A minister happened along and discovered these two brothers alone and took them in and settled around Annapolis, Missouri. The minister's name was Copeland. Marion decided they were being mistreated so Marion ran away. He ended up in or around the Willisville area and a man, named Leonard Mathis, owned and operated an underground coal mine, took him in and Marion worked for him. As time went on, Marion ended up marrying Leonard's daughter, Margaet Ann Mathis, date unknown. Margaret Ann was born 22 February 1850 in Kentucky, daughter of Leonad and Lesty (Coleman) Mathis.

Marion and Margaret had the following children: Molly Slusher Kilgrove; Amanda Slusher Williams, then McDonald; Effie Slusher Higginson; Nellie Slusher Deppe; Anna Slusher Cheek; Emma Slusher Valentine; Ruth Slusher; William "Willie" Slusher; David Earl Slusher and Henry Slusher.

Marion and Margaret lived their earlier years in Randolph County, Illinois around the Percy area and their later years were spent in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois.



Marion died in 1924 and is buried at IOOF Cemetery, Percy, Illinois. Margaret Ann died 20 March 1924 at the age of 74 years and is also buried at IOOF Cemetery at Percy, Randolph County, Illinois.

A grandchild of Marion remembers that he had a speech impediment-he stuttered. He would sing to this grandchild a song entitled, "I Don't Know What Makes Me Stu-Stu-Stu-Stutter So". It came natural for him to sing it just like it was written. *Submitted by Marilyn Jones of Du Quoin, Illinois.*

## SLUSHER-REESE

David Earl Slusher, the son of Marion and Margaret Ann (Mathis) Slusher of Randolph County, Percy, Illinois, was born on 16 October 1888 in Percy. He had two brothers and seven sisters. He used his middle name, Earl, most of the time. Earl died on 29 September 1964 in Perry County, Pinckneyville, Illinois and is buried at Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville.



*David Earl and Sarah (Reese) Slusher Wedding Day-05 September 1908.*

Earl started working at a coal mine at the early age of thirteen. He was a coal miner all his life up to retirement. Earl married Sarah Marie (Reese) Slusher on 10 September 1908. They raised ten children. They lived in Freeburg, Illinois for a short time then moved to a house on the Pyatt Blacktop Road and later moved to Pinckneyville. Their children: Lawrence Earl, born 07 October 1910; Evelyn Bernice, born 27 February 1912; Madge Colleen, born 27 April 1914; Virgil Clinton, born 02 March 1918; Thelma Marie, born 21 January 1920 in Freeburg, Illinois and she was the first baby born there in 1920 and the mother received a savings bond and a free picture of Thelma; Norma Maxine, born 27 July 1922; Melvin William, born 24 September 1925; Nelson Eugene, born 29 March 1928; Margaret Ann, born 30 July 1930; and Delmar Reese, born 25 June 1933. They lost their very first child, a son named Frederick Henry, when he was only five days old on 12 June 1909. This child is buried at Galum Presbyterian Church Cemetery south of Pinckneyville.

Sarah learned to play piano by note and as a young child she played the piano at Denmark Baptist Church on the Pyatt Blacktop Road. Neighbors and friends said she made the best apple pie they ever tasted. Earl always raised vegetables in his garden and also raised beautiful climbing roses and hollyhocks. His wife Sarah died on 20 April 1953 at her home on Kaskaskia Street in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She is buried beside her husband at Mueller Hill Cemetery near Pinckneyville, Illinois. Another thing about Earl was that he loved to squirrel hunt but did not want to make noise in the woods so he would squirrel hunt barefoot.

## SMITH-CAMPBELL

Arthur Lester Smith (26 April 1883-17 September 1963) and Ida May Campbell (09 February 1883-03 February 1969) were married in Pinckneyville on 02 December 1903.

Ida May was the daughter of Mary Ellen Stout (1849-1886) and James Madison Campbell (1846-1907). Mary Ellen was the daughter of Sarah A. Egbert (1822-?) and James Stout (1818-?) who were born and probably married in New Jersey. The Stout family moved to Franklin County, Indiana, then on to Perry County.

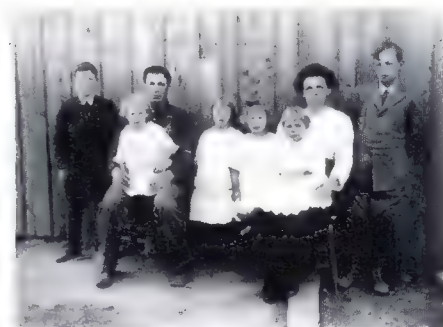
When Mary Ellen died at age 37, Ida May was three years old. She was taken from her mother's funeral by Elizabeth Catherine Carr (1840-?) and her deaf and speech-impaired sister-in-law, Hannah Mitchell (1828-1917) with whom she lived until her marriage to Arthur.



*Arthur Smith with his two champion dogs-Pathfinder Flirt, and Barney, circa 1939.*

James Madison Campbell was the son of James Alexander Campbell (1815-1856) the eldest son of John Campbell (1794 in South Carolina-1864) and Nancy Ayers (1791 in Ireland-1865). James Alexander married Jane Ferguson (1818-1846), daughter of Abraham Ferguson Jr. (1789-?) and Elizabeth Edwards (1790-?). James and Jane were married in Chester District, South Carolina and made the journey to Perry County in 1844 in search of a more quiet and peaceful life than that which existed in the pre-Civil War South. With them were their two daughters, Nancy Elizabeth (1842-1914) and Martha Ann (1844-1925). Nancy married twice: her first husband was Madison "Matt" Davis (1824-1880) and after his death, she married Thomas Franklin Ryan (1843-1913). Martha Ann married James Tandy Davis (unknown). Jane Ferguson Campbell died in Perry County shortly after the birth of her third child, James Madison. Her husband, James Alexander married Mary Y. Haberson (1826-1852) in 1850. Mary died in childbirth along with their only child. James Alexander then married Agnes "Nan" Deem (about 1830-?), they had one son, Samuel Campbell (about 1855-?) who married Ella Bigham. After James Alexander's death in 1856, his three orphaned children by Jane Ferguson were raised by their grandparents, John Campbell and Nancy Ayers. After John's death, until her own, Nancy Ayers Campbell lived with James Madison Campbell. The other children of John Campbell and Nancy Ayers were: Hugh Campbell (1817-1871) married Jane Brown (1822-1898); John Campbell II (1820-1862) married Elizabeth D. McFadden (1822-1892), John died of wounds suffered in battle at Fort Donelson, Tennessee during the Civil War; Rebecca Jane Campbell (see below); William Campbell (about 1823-1835); Andrew Ross Campbell (1824-1862) married

Cindrilla "Cinderella" Eveline Greene (1835-1868), Andrew died of smallpox contracted on the battlefields at Fort Donelson, Tennessee during the Civil War; Elizabeth Campbell (1830-1864) married Thaddeus King; Martha Ann Campbell (1832-1860) married Ebenezer "Naze" Bigham; and Samuel Campbell (about 1828-before 1844) buried in South Carolina.



*Arthur and Ida May Smith and children circa 1913.*

Arthur Lester Smith was the son of James Armour Smith (1851-1884) and Martha Jane Bigham (1857-1905). He had one sister, Nora Viola (1881-1965). She married William Henry Reese (1878-1958), son of Reuben Reese and Mary Jenkins. After James Armour's death at age 33, Martha Jane Bigham Smith married James Armour's brother, Louis Benton Smith (1858-1942). Louis Benton's first wife was Francis Fannin. Louis and Martha Jane Smith had the following children: Anna Mae Smith (1886-1964) married Horace Bradley; Darius C. Smith (1889-1950) married Viola Lipe; Francis M. Smith (1891-1932); Leffa Smith (1892-?) married Everette "Buck" Williams; Elsie L. Smith (1895-1987) married Otto Hallbauer.

James Armour's father was Francis Smith (1804-1884) from Fairfield County, South Carolina. He was the son of Joseph Smith and Elizabeth Culbreath. In 1821, at the age of seventeen, he left South Carolina on horseback in search of land to homestead. He traveled behind a wagon headed north, occupied by a "Brown" family. Francis left South Carolina with a change of clothing and seventy-five cents-monies he used to purchase hay for his horse. When he arrived at the Kaskaskia land Office, the homestead land was gone. He worked on farms as a laborer and saved his money to buy farmland. On 24 May 1832, he enlisted in the Illinois 3rd Regiment, 3rd Brigade, Mounted Volunteers where he served as a spy in the Black Hawk War. For his service, Francis was allowed to purchase Military Track land-beginning his life as a farmer on 120 acres northwest of Denmark. In 1840 he married Jenette "Jennie" McHatton (1819-1873), daughter of Alexander McHatton and Jennie Smith. Francis and Jenette had the following children: Jane Ann Smith (1843-1903) married Benjamine Franklin Jenkins; Robert Alexander Smith (1848-1885); Francis William Smith (1849-1915) married Sarah Margaret Stevenson; James Armour Smith; Thomas Moore Smith (1853-1927) married Elizabeth Ann Stevenson; and Louis Benton Smith.

Martha Jane Bigham, mother of Arthur Lester Smith, was the daughter of Rebecca Jane Campbell (1822-1911), daughter of John Campbell and Nancy Ayers, and Middleton McFadden Bigham (1821-1893), son of Isaac Bigham (1776-?) and Rachel Weir (unknown) of Chester District, South Carolina.



Arthur and Ida May were married by Reverend William Templeton and "returned to the home of her foster Mother for a prayer meeting after the wedding ceremony." They began their life together on 125 acres about one and one-half miles north of Denmark. An existing old log cabin temporarily housed the young Smith family and was later replaced by a new home which stood just north of "the Old Yeller Hill", leading down to the Galum Creek bridge. Their children walked or rode their horses to attend the one room South Six-Mile School, which lay another two miles or so to the west of their farm.

Arthur Lester was an avid fox hunter and raised championship fox hounds, which Dr. Daines, the dentist from Percy, showed in competition, winning many trophies throughout the area-and particularly in Kentucky. Arthur was very proud of his dogs and the trophies they had won. In addition to farming his land, he was the Road Commissioner for District 64, Perry County for 27 years. After his children were grown and married, he and Ida May moved to "town"-Cutler. Arthur worked for a few years in the Wilson Coal Company underground shaft mine in Cutler-continuing however, to farm the old Galum Creek property. Eventually he sold the property to Southwestern Coal Company, but continued to "visit" the old homeplace until his death.

Ida May loved children, quilting bees, "apple butter making time" and driving with Arthur in their Model A Ford back to the old farm. They had ten children: James Clarence "Jim" Smith (1905-1961) married Frances Pauline Gruber-no children; Melba Louise married Erwin Huch and Gary James; Edward Stanley "Bill" Smith (1907-1980) married Eva Mae Schubach, no children; Martha Lorene "Sis" Smith (1909-1974) married Robert Dwight Gruber (1908-1992) one child, Judith Ellen, married William "Bill" Davis; Ellen Irene Smith (1909-1909), twin of Martha Lorene; Laura Lucille Smith (1910-1997) married first Roscoe "Rock" Cofer (1906-1950) two children-Jimmy Lee married Betty Hanes, and Maydell (1937-1937), married second John Hillard; Helen Adair Smith (1911-1989) married James Milo Richmond (1903-1977), two children: James Arthur married Evelyn Apple, and Milo Eugene who married Bonnie Snyder married second Ray Todd; Beulah Adeline Smith (1911-) married Valley Leroy Bigham (1907-1996) and had ten children; Kenneth Norbert married Barbara Allen; Jackie Leroy married Barbara Bigelow; Gwendolyn Sue married Reverend Robert Taylor; Richard Edward married Anna Underhill; Sharon Ragene married Richard Rosemeyer; Donald Smith married Julie Deck; Douglas Bryan married Brenda Adams, Kelly Berry, and Reva Vowels; Brenda Mae married Reverend David Totman; Stephen Paul married Judith Holmes; Helen Elaine married David Miller; Ruth Iris Smith (1916-) married Lawrence Fredrick Mohr (1914-1985) three children: William Arthur married Verna Mae Loos, Ruthann married and divorced Gordon Plymale, and June Iris married John Margenthaler, Randy Edward, and Neal McDaniel; Erma Marie "Nell" Smith (1919-) married Stanley Walter "Mix" Carter (1918-1994) and had two children, Susan married and divorced Richard Patton, and Sally married first John Walter Roberts, second William "Bill" Kokos; and Arthur Lester Smith Jr. (1926-1989) married first JoAnn Busegelio and

had one child, Mary Ellen (1957-1958), and married second Margaret Van Ausdahl.

Arthur and Ida May Smith were faithful members of the First Baptist Church in Cutler, where Arthur served many years as Deacon. They are buried in Cutler Cemetery. Their surviving daughters and grandchildren cherish their memories of Arthur and Ida May. *Submitted by Susan Carter-Patton of Rancho Mirage, California and Ruthann Mohr-Plymale of Machesney Park, Illinois.*

## SMITH-DAVISON

Roy A. Smith, Sr. and Carolyn J. (Davison) Smith were born in Perry County in 1943 and have lived most of their lives in Du Quoin.

Roy was the youngest son of Herbert Lee Smith (07 May 1901-27 March 1967) and Lillian Edith Johnson (27 June 1909-11 January 1978). Six children were born to Herbert and Lillian: Roseanna Beard, John Edward Smith, Freddie James Smith, Donald Ray Smith, Edith Mae Beers, and Roy Allen Smith (25 April 1943).



Roy and Carolyn Smith.

Roy's maternal grandparents were Edward Johnson (25 August 1878-30 June 1942) and Rose Etta Webb (26 February 1879-19 October 1957). Paternal grandparents were Johnny Smith (22 August 1868-30 December 1951) and Anna Elizabeth Craig (26 February 1879-10 June 1951).

Carolyn was the oldest daughter of Thomas Edward Davison, Sr. (28 August 1910) and Edna Ellen Broyles (25 November 1919). Four daughters were born to Thomas and Edna: Carolyn Judith Smith (05 December 1943), Shirley J. Weisel, Cynthia E. Pearsall, and Karen S. Buser.

Carolyn's maternal grandparents were Edward Hiram Broyles (06 August 1891-29 July 1958) and Maud Bernice Rentfro (18 February 1900-23 July 1949). Paternal grandparents were John Edward Davison (29 February 1888-24 June 1943) and Mary Isabell Winn (26 February 1879-20 April 1955).

Roy and Carolyn began first grade together, attending J. B. Ward School for eight years, then completing four years together at Du Quoin Township High School.

Roy participated in school sports, lettering on the grade school basketball team and high school track team. He was a member of the Old Du Quoin Baptist Church. He graduated high school with honors, then attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, receiving a Bachelor of Science in civil engineering. His employment in civil engineering includes: Illinois Department of Transportation, Southern Illinois University, and County Engineer, Perry County, Illinois.

Carolyn participated in grade and high school bands, including dance band, wrote for the school

paper, the "Magnavox," was on the school yearbook, "Flashlight," staff, and was a member of the First Christian Church. She attended Southern Illinois University at Carbondale, Illinois, earning a Bachelor of Science in Education, obtaining a high school teaching certificate, and later obtaining an elementary school teaching certificate. Subsequently, she earned her Juris Doctorate degree from the Southern Illinois University-Carbondale School of Law.

Roy and Carolyn continued living in Du Quoin following their marriage, except for brief periods in Collinsville, Illinois and Trenton, Michigan. They have two children, Christina Judith Mathis (29 May 1961) and Roy Allen Smith, Jr. (21 January 1963). Christi resides in Pinckneyville, Illinois with husband, Paul Douglas Mathis and children, Blayne Douglas Mathis (09 January 1982), Shyler Justin Mathis (10 June 1984), and Jalaigh Kristin Kelly Mathis (14 January 1988). Son, Smitty, resides in Irvington, Illinois, with wife Angela (Wilson) Smith, and son, Stile Thomas Smith (20 October 1989).

Roy enjoys hunting, especially turkey and deer. Carolyn enjoys reading, sewing, and crafts. Together, they enjoy traveling, church activities, and are actively involved in jail and prison ministry.

## SMITH-GARWIN

Martha Jane Smith (1843-1923) was the daughter of George Seigfried Smith (1817-1902) and Rachael Garwin (1817-1923). Her siblings were Adonirum Judson (1842-1923), Walter S. D. (1845-1924) a Baptist minister, and Friend Taft (1847-1893).

The George S. Smith family settled in Perry County, Illinois during the Civil War. Just prior to the War, originally from Ohio, they had settled in Missouri for the mother's health. This new site soon became the scene of Civil War action so they had to hurriedly pack and leave. They decided to go to Perry County, Illinois where friends from Ohio, the Hayes family and others, had settled. They settled at Old Du Quoin where they met the Elijah Bartley Kelly family. Elijah Bartley Kelly (1814-1876) married Eliza Ann Boyles (1814-1901). Later, A. J. Smith married a daughter, Martha Kezia Kelly (1845-1914).

The mother, Rachael, did not live long and was buried in the Old Du Quoin Cemetery. The father, George S. Smith, later married twice more and is buried in the Pinckneyville IOOF Cemetery. The eleven children of A. J. and Martha Kelly Smith were born at Old Du Quoin. The author's father went to school at the seminary that used to be there.

Walter S. D. Smith married Laura Ann Gordon (1851-1895). They had twelve children of which six grew to adulthood.

Friend Taft Smith married Amelia Kennedy (1855-1925) and adopted a daughter. The Ross' had a son, Aradaud(?) and a daughter that died young.

Author's note: As a child I remember visiting Aunt Jenny and Uncle Walter, their visits to us (we lived with my grandfather), and visits to my grandmother's sisters. Carrie, who married Rudolph Wheatley, had a huge oak tree in front of their house in Du Quoin. Aunt Mary Kelly was a missionary who lived at Christopher. My grandmother died before I was quite a year old,



from a fall that broke her hip. I think the land the Smith family had is now part of the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds.

Miscellaneous information: Leonard Thomas Ross was the son of Arad L. Ross and Cynthia Burpee. Amelia Kennedy Smith was the daughter of George Kennedy and Ellen C. Ross. Submitted by Evelyn Smith Worthen of Murphysboro, Illinois.

## SMITH-GIBSON

Clay Barton Smith (born 17 August 1973), second son of William Charles (born 18 February 1948) and Sally Ann (Lundemo) Smith (born 02 February 1947), was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois and when he was one week old the family moved to Georgia. After a few years, they moved back to Pinckneyville. Clay started to school in Pinckneyville and later the family moved to Du Quoin where he finished Elementary and High School, graduating in 1991. Because of his high academic standing he was granted a full scholarship to Union University in Jackson, Tennessee where he was in the pre-med program. He graduated on 27 May 1995 with honors.



Clay, Joy, Joshua, and Caleb Smith.

While at Union University he met and married Joy Elizabeth Gibson (born 02 May 1973), daughter of Robert Gary (born 17 April 1942) and Martha Elizabeth (Massey) Gibson (born 20 December 1947) from Nashville, Tennessee on 18 June 1994. Joy graduated from Union University on 27 May 1995 with a degree in English.

They have two sons, Caleb Michael (born 28 May 1995) and Joshua David (born 28 January 1997). Caleb was born while they were living in Jackson, Tennessee and Joshua was born in Memphis, Tennessee.

Clay is presently in his third year of medical school at the University of Tennessee, Memphis, and Joy is busy with the boys.

## SMITH-HUTCHINGS

Michael Charles Smith was born 01 April 1947 in Du Quoin, Illinois to Michael Paul and Audrey Elizabeth (Bigham) Smith. His paternal grandparents were Henry Guy and Gertrude Hadin (Kelly) Smith. His maternal grandparents were Enos Leamon and Ruth Ellen (Hallbauer) Bigham. Janelle Ann Hutchings was born 02 August 1952 in Du Quoin to Bill Clyde and Helen Elsie (Kuhl) Hutchings (see Hutchings-Kuhl history).

Mick and Janelle both grew up in Pinckneyville. Mick served in the United States Air Force from 1967 to 1971. They married 10 April 1971 in Pinckneyville. Mick is a Human Resources Manager. Janelle is an Office Manager. Both are avid golfers.

They have one daughter, Rachel Elizabeth Smith, born 25 September 1972 in Murray,



Rachel (standing), Mick and Janelle Smith.

Kentucky. Rachel graduated from Virginia Tech with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Finance. Currently, she is a Financial Analyst for Coca-Cola. Submitted by Janet Hutchings Amelunke.

## SMITH, JAMES FREDRIC

James Fredric Smith (born 19 September 1962) is the fourth child of Mervin Fred Smith (born 16 March 1925) and Helen Kathryn (Hallbauer) Smith (born 16 January 1928). He married Michelle Suzanne Heisner (born 06 July 1965) on 03 October 1980. They had one daughter, Megan Sue Smith (born 27 March 1981).

Jim attended grade school at Pinckneyville District 50 and graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1980.



James F. Smith and daughter, Megan.

He worked for McDaniel's Furniture in Pinckneyville and then at Consol Burning Star #4 Mine near Cutler, Illinois where he was a heavy equipment operator.

After a divorce in 1984 and a layoff at the mine, he moved to Columbia, Maryland where he worked as a heavy equipment operator for a construction company for six years.

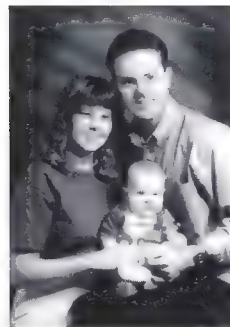
On 14 February 1986 he married Lisa Marie Schwebel (born 10 March 1967). They lived and worked in Maryland and in 1992 he was called back to the Burning Star #4 Mine near Cutler, Illinois and moved into an apartment near his parents. He worked as a dirt truck driver at the mine until December 1996 when he was laid-off permanently because the mine was closing.

He worked a short while for H & N Construction in 1997 but lack of work and bad weather stopped them for the winter. He has been doing odd-jobs presently, but is expecting to be called back when work availability and the weather permits.

## SMITH-JONES

Brett Douglas Smith (born 20 January 1971), oldest son of William Charles (born 18 February

1948) and Sally Ann (Lundemo) Smith, was born in Georgia, but in late summer that year they moved to Steeleville, Illinois where Bill taught band. Two years later the family moved back to Georgia. After another short time in Georgia they moved to Pinckneyville, Illinois where he started school at Pinckneyville District 50. They moved to Du Quoin where he continued in school graduating from the Du Quoin High School in 1989.



Brett, Janeen, and Jarett Smith.

He attended Union University in Jackson, Tennessee where he met and married Alyssa Janeen Jones (born 09 November 1969), daughter of George Herman (born 31 March 1938) and Judith Ann (Lindsey) Jones (born 13 September 1939) from St. Gaines, Georgia, on 20 March 1993 in Jackson, Tennessee.

Janeen graduated from Union University in Jackson, Tennessee with a Bachelor of Science in Psychology in 1991, and Brett graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Music in 1993.

Brett was called to serve as Minister of Music and Youth Music at the Third Baptist Church of Marion, Illinois in 1994. On 20 November 1994 he was ordained in that church as a minister of the gospel.

While living in Marion their first child, Jarett Matthew was born on 17 July 1995 at the Carbondale Hospital.

Janeen was in the nursing program at John A. Logan Junior College but had to drop out because they moved to Waterloo, Illinois. Brett is now serving as Associate Pastor where he is in charge of Music and Youth at the First Baptist Church of Waterloo, Illinois. He has been there since January of 1997. They are now joyfully awaiting their second child due in July 1998.

## SMITH, JOSEPH PATRICK

Joseph Patrick Smith was born to Wilfred X. and Rose M. (Toman) Smith on 5 November 1943. Joe graduated from Todds Mill in 1957 and from Pinckneyville High School in 1961. He served in the United States Air Force from 1962 to 1966 and began working as a groundman-operator, in the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers L. U. #702 from 1967 to this day. He never married and is a life-long resident of Rice-north of Pinckneyville, Illinois.

## SMITH-KELLEY

Henry Guy Smith (14 March 1883-11 September 1951 at age 65) married at age twenty to an eighteen-year-old lady named Gertrude Hattie Kelley (09 December circa 1885 at Shelbyville, Illinois-08 March 1974 at age 88). The records show that the minister was J. B. Webb with J. C. Taffee as witness.



Their children were Inez (married Charles Dempsey), Percy, Louise (married Ewald Pyle), Mike (married Audrey Bigham), Harry (married Nina Mayor), and Dorothy (married Jayce Coffel) (see Smith-Polito history).



Henry Guy and Gertrude Hattie Kelley Smith.

Henry Guy Smith farmed with his father, Charles Porter Smith, as a young man. When the Illinois Central Railroad began to put in the second track, he took a team and a grader and hired out to help. Illinois Central then hired him as a brakeman on the railroad. When he retired, he had advanced to yardmaster. He died in Chicago, Illinois. His family was informed by his railroad "buddies."

His wife, Gertrude Hattie Kelley Smith, came from Shelbyville, Illinois to teach at the Seven-Day Adventist School south of Du Quoin on the gas plant road. She taught there five years before marrying Henry. Gertrude Hattie's parents were Joseph Samuel and Mary Amanda Tuttle Kelley.

Henry Guy's parents were Charles Porter (died at age 76) and Alice Gray Smith (from the Elkhaville, Illinois area). Charles and Alice Gray Smith were married 04 May 1884 by Squire Burbank, near Old Du Quoin, Illinois. In a newspaper story covering a family celebration of their 51st wedding anniversary, the bride tells this story. In order to get married, they had to cross a flooding creek. It was so deep that the water came up into the floorboard of the spring wagon.

Most of this family is buried in the Old Du Quoin Cemetery in Perry County.

Charles Porter Smith's parents were Horace Melton and Jane Chandler Smith. Alice's parents were William and Angeline Gray, natives of Tennessee.

As a reminder of the unsettled days, Charles P. had a brother who was scalped by Indians, but the experience was not fatal. Charles helped to move buildings from Old Du Quoin to the new town of Du Quoin on the Illinois Central Railroad. He helped build several of the homes in the south part of Du Quoin, Illinois.

## SMITH, LUCIUS SKINNER III

Lucius Skinner Smith III (1919) is the first of his family in four generations of merchants, bankers and newspapermen to serve in uniform. Recipient of an A.B. in Modern European History and Geopolitics in June 1941 at the University of California, Berkeley, he earned his wings in naval aviation early in 1942. Commissioned in the Marine Corps, he helped repel the Japanese offensive at Guadalcanal before that year was out.

In August 1945, second in command of a squadron of night fighters preparing at its base at Kadena, Okinawa for the invasion of the Japanese homeland, he learned that at precisely 17 seconds

past 8:15 a B-29 from Tinian had released a revolutionary "atomic" bomb onto the city of Hiroshima, Japan. Within days the War in the Pacific was history.

Home was Laguna Beach, California. There he met his infant first-born, Lucius IV "Duffy", commemorated on the cowl of his daddy's Hellcat at Kadena by an artist's depiction of dice face-up showing a three and a four—"Pappy's Lucky Baby."



Lucius Luc' Smith III—1983.

Luc (as he prefers) remained on reserve call until 1958. By then his children included a daughter, Suzy, and three more sons: Alexander, Bret and Anthony. He retired with the permanent rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

In succeeding years he was a journalist (five years with Hearst Newspapers) which he considered more of a trade than a profession. His interests in history and politics led him to craft a grass-roots lobby to jump-start what became the daddy of today's IRAs—the Keogh Plan—and, in 1975, the stalled American Freedom Train. Pulling rank with Mayor Daley's ubiquitous "Colonel" Riley, Luc won the support of that unrivaled director of civic fireworks and hoopla; the Bicentennial Train tooted up a patriotic storm from Chicago's Navy Pier, and rolled out a critically successful two-year transcontinental pageant.

In 1986 he undertook to win Congressional recognition of the risks of radiation exposure inherent to those service personnel who witnessed the two decades of open-air nuclear weapons tests. In 1988 the Radiation-Exposed Veterans Compensation Act reached the desk of President Reagan. Overturning the White House staff, he signed the bill on 20 May. Within days the bill's author, Congressman (and doctor of medicine) J. Roy Rowland of Georgia, and the ranking minority member of the Senate Committee on Veterans Affairs, Frank H. Murkowski of Alaska, each penned personal notes to Luc Smith to express gratitude for his support. Said Murkowski: "This legislation and its enactment would not have been possible without your support, perseverance and faith."

## SMITH-LUNDEMO

William Charles Smith (born 18 February 1948), first child of Mervin Fred Smith (born 16 March 1925) and Helen Kathryn (Hallbauer) Smith (born 16 January 1928) married Sally Ann Lundemo (born 02 February 1947). She is the daughter of Harold Arnold Lundemo (born 25 February 1917) and Martha Gene (Giles) Lundemo (born 08 April 1923). Bill and Sally were married on 10 April 1968 at the First Baptist Church, Marion, Illinois.

Bill attended grades 1-4 at Ozburn School located in the Pyatt-Y. They consolidated and he finished elementary school at Pinckneyville District 50. He graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1966. He played football, played trumpet in the band and sang in several musicals while he was in high school.

Sally attended Marion, Illinois Grade School and graduated from Marion High School in 1965. She played piano and organ.



William C., Sally and Jennie Smith.

They met while they were in school at Union University in Jackson, Tennessee. Sally graduated in 1969 and worked at the school until Bill graduated in 1970. Both Bill and Sally are music majors. After graduation, he taught band in Georgia, St. Louis, Illinois, and Pinckneyville District 50.

On 20 January 1971 their first son, Brett Douglas, was born in Decatur, Georgia. Their second son, Clay Barton, was born 17 August 1973 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Their third child and only daughter, Jennifer Lynn, was born on 18 February 1982 in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Bill served as Minister of Music and Youth at the Sesser Baptist Church part-time while he worked on and received his Masters Degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale and worked on his Doctorate. He also worked with his dad on the farm while he was in school.

He was called later to be Minister of Music and Youth at First Baptist Church of Du Quoin full time. While at Du Quoin he became interested in handbells and had several handbell choirs, but the most exciting time was when one of his handbell choirs was invited to play at the White House in Washington, D. C. in 1992.

Sally taught private lessons in piano and organ. She received her Masters Degree in Organ Performance from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale where she taught private lessons through the Division of Continuing Education.

They are now serving at the Woodland Baptist Church in Peoria, Illinois where he is Associate Pastor working in music and Sally is the organist.

Jennie attended grade school and junior high in Du Quoin, Illinois and is presently a junior at Dunlap High School, Dunlap, Illinois. She is looking forward to attending Union University in Jackson, Tennessee, as the rest of her family has done. She is an accomplished pianist and plays violin as well as handbells. She started playing the piano at age three.

## SMITH-MYERS

Robert Mervin Smith (born 31 December 1952), second child of Mervin Fred Smith (born 16 March 1925) and Helen Kathryn (Hallbauer) Smith (born 16 January 1928).



On 28 July 1973 Robert Mervin Smith married Patricia Lynn Myers (born 26 November 1952) first child of Charles Richard Myers (born 17 September 1930) and Deloris Jean (Benedict) Myers (born 21 May 1927).



Robert M., Pat, Kent and Lee Anne Smith.

Bob attended Pinckneyville Grade School and Junior High and graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1971. He played football and was active in band and chorus. He attended the University of Illinois for two years in pre-pharmacy. While he was there he was a member of the Varsity Men's Glee Club and had the privilege of touring in Europe with this group.

After two years at the University of Illinois, he transferred to the St. Louis College of Pharmacy where he finished in 1977.

Pat attended elementary school in Cutler and graduated from Trico High School in 1970. She went to Deaconess School of Nursing in St. Louis where she got her Registered Nurse license in 1975 and worked in St. Louis while Bob was finishing pharmacy school.

Their first child, Kent Robert, was born 16 July 1977 in St. Louis, Missouri. They moved to Steeleville, Illinois and Bob worked as summer help at Captain Mine while he waited for the result of his State Boards. He passed in both Illinois and Missouri and he became a Registered Pharmacist. He worked several jobs in Illinois and Missouri for a few years.

In Washington, Missouri Bob worked in a pharmacy and Pat worked at the hospital. While living there their second child, Lee Anne, was born on 19 April 1979.

When Revco came to Du Quoin, Illinois he was manager of the new store where he did very well. They settled and built a home in Du Quoin. Pat worked in several area hospitals and with Home Health. She is now working from her home with Care Management for Corvel.

Bob worked as pharmacist at a couple of hospitals and other pharmacies and is now managing the WalMart Pharmacy in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Kent and Lee Anne both attended Du Quoin schools where Kent graduated in 1995 and joined the Marine Corp. later that year. He is presently stationed at El Toro Marine Base, Santa Ana, California.

Lee Anne graduated in 1997 and is presently studying at John A. Logan Junior College in Carterville, Illinois. She is planning to major in radiology and ultrasound.

## SMITH-PIPER-MC CURDY

Burrel and Nancy Piper Smith arrived in Perry County about 1841, having been married in Morgan County, Illinois in 1832. Burrel was born

about 1810 in Wilson County, Tennessee to Jesse and Fanny Reese Smith. Nancy Piper was born about 1813 in Smith County, Tennessee. Their property in Perry County was in Section 17 of Township 5, Range 2, where they stayed until 1865 when they moved to Washington County near Du Bois (Section 13 of Township 3 South, Range 2 West). Shortly after that move, Nancy died. In 1868 Burrel married Martha Ann McCurdy White, widow of Orsenith F. White. After Burrel died in 1892 in Washington County, Martha and her family moved back to Tamaroa where she also helped rear some of her orphaned grandchildren. Martha was born in Pope County, Illinois in 1834 to William and Dolley (King) McCurdy. She died in 1908 while visiting her granddaughter in Des Arc, Arkansas.

Burrel and Nancy had thirteen children. Ann "Fanny" Smith, born about 1833, married James Huggins in 1856 in Perry County (James' second wife); Joseph John Smith, born 1834, married first Abigail Christian in 1865 and married second Nancy Caroline Hicks in 1868 in Perry County; Mary Smith (twin to Joseph), born 1834, married Richard Glover in 1857 in Perry County; Martha J. Smith, born about 1836; James Smith, born about 1838; Lewis Smith, born about 1839, married Maria Lemmon; Delila Smith, born about 1840; Daniel Smith, born about 1842; Louisa Smith, born about 1843, married first John King and married second James Stull in 1887 in Perry County; Thomas Smith, born about 1846, married in 1873 in Perry County to Lydia Ann Lemmon and married second Pernicia E. Bond; Amos Smith, born about 1847; William Smith, born about 1849; and Coleman Smith, born January 1853, married first to Examinnie White in 1877 in Perry County and next to Lucy Bryant in 1894 in Lonoke County, Arkansas.

Burrel and Martha Smith had three children: Henry Smith, born about 1870; Clara Smith, born about 1872; and Isaac Fred Smith, born 03 May 1874. Martha's children from her previous marriages were: Nancy Caroline Hicks, born 1850, married Joseph John Smith; William Thomas White, born 1853 in Perry County, married Sarah J. Harshaw in 1881; Nathan Benjamin White, born about 1857; Examinnie White, born 1859, married Coleman Smith on 1877; and Mary Della White, born about 1861.

Martha McCurdy Smith's grandfather, William Waters King, died in Perry County about 1854 near the age of ninety years. William was married to Susannah J. Elder in Brunswick County, Virginia in 1798. They had lived in Pope County, Illinois from 1828, having come from Brunswick County, Virginia, via Giles County, Tennessee. Some of William King's descendants who had settled in the Perry County area include his daughter, Mary "Polly" King Curlee, born 1803 in Virginia, married in 1824 to Nathan Gilbert Curlee; his daughter Nancy King Clay Parlier, born about 1806 in Virginia, married first to Isham Clay Jr. in Pope County, Illinois, married next in 1853 in Perry County to Allen Parlier (his second wife) (Nancy's son, Henry Clay, was a lawyer and real estate agent in Perry County); his granddaughter Nancy McCurdy King, born about 1830 in Pope County, Illinois, married James King in 1846 in Pope County; his granddaughter Mary Almeda McCurdy Higgs, born about 1839, married Benjamin Allen Higgs in 1856 in Pope County; his grandson William Henry McCurdy "Henry",

born 1840, married first Sidney Jane King in 1861 in Pope County and married next Mary Matilda Waters in 1875 in Pope County. *Submitted by Carolyn Waldon of Ripon, California.*

## SMITH-POLITO

Percy Smith married Mary Marie Polito in De Soto, Illinois 17 January 1934, or three days after her birthday. Percy retired after working fifty years as a professional exterior house decorator/painter. Except for Percy's two years in the Army, they both have lived in Du Quoin all their lives.

Their children are: Rosa Lee Smith Le Tourneau (born 14 September 1936) and Fred Lee Smith (born 17 December 1934). Rosa Lee raised four children, two boys and two girls. Their names were David (oldest), Robin, Yvette, and Robert Timothy "Mick". All of them graduated from the Du Quoin High School and from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. The children's father died in a car accident when Mick was a baby. Mick went on to receive two degrees in psychology. He now works as a professor in Library Science at Princeton University in New Jersey.



Percy and Mary Marie Polito Smith.

Fred's first marriage was to Joan Morr. The children were Angel, Christina, Annie, Reyna and Kimberlee. Fred married second to Valeria Baumann 15 April 1978. There were no children from this marriage.

Percy was born in Du Quoin 14 September 1907 to Harry Guy and Gertrude Hattie Kelley Smith (see Smith-Kelley history).

During his teenage years he lived and worked on a farm on the gas plant road, south of town. It belonged to his grandparents, Charles Percy and Alice Gray Smith.

Percy remembers when Washington Street in Du Quoin only went south to about the present Southtown Mall. The main south entrance into town was Madison Street. He also has fond memories of Saturday nights in Du Quoin. His grandfather would come in for a shave and some relaxation and bring Percy along. During the shave he would give five cents to his grandson to spend as he wished.

At age 32, Percy went into the United States Army. He began at camp Kallien, Washington, in a heavy artillery unit, then was transferred into an infantry unit. Most of his tour of duty was in a military police company at Fort Lewis, Washington (Company A, 69th E.T. Battalion). He received his honorable discharge two years later.

During the Depression years Percy supplemented his painting income by using his truck to haul coal. Many days he worked in the Majestic mines as a "mule skinner". He also worked at many small independent mines in the area. Many times they could not pay wages so



Percy received shares in the company. He did not work underground. Listening to the roof of the tunnels cracking ("top-a-talking") and the rocks falling did not seem to be a good way to make a living to him.

Fishing is still Percy's main hobby. This has helped him get acquainted with many friends beneath and above the water.

## SMITH-SCHAUDT

Dale Armstrong Smith was born in rural Cutler, Illinois on 09 August 1917 to Lyman and Mabel Armstrong Smith. He attended schools in Perry County and started farming with his father. During World War II, he spent part of his 3 1/2 years of service with the United States Army in India.

On 18 October 1947 he married Ruth Lydia Deloris Schaudt in Trinity Lutheran Church, Conant, Illinois. Ruth, born 26 November 1918, is the oldest daughter of Theodor and Lillian Wagner Schaudt of rural Pinckneyville near the little "town" of Conant. This was home for Ruth until she married Dale. Dale also considered his parents' farm his home. They settled on a farm in the community of Denmark after their marriage and have lived there for the last 50 years.



(standing) Mark Smith, Joyce Smith Pyatt, Tom Smith, (seated) Dale and Ruth Smith.

They were blessed with three children: Joyce Ann, wife of Paul Richard Pyatt, youngest son of the late Eugene and Alberta Pyatt. They have one son, Nathan Aaron; Thomas Dale, who married Mardell Cadwell of Griggsville, Illinois, daughter of Lindell (deceased) and Dorothy Cadwell. They have two children, Tami Dawn and Ryan Thomas; Mark Edward, who married Kimberly Ann Miller, daughter of Tom and Janet Miller of rural Pinckneyville. They have three children: Tyler Lee, Ethan Michael, and Brittany Lynn.

Dale and Ruth attend Trinity Lutheran Church, Conant. Additionally, Dale served on the Egyptian Electric Cooperative Board of Directors, retiring after 27 years. He served sixteen years on the Board of Directors for Southern Illinois Power Cooperative and two years on the Association for Illinois Electric Cooperatives board.

Ruth was employed for 2 1/2 years during the war as a riveter for Curtis Wright of St. Louis, a plane factory where McDonald Douglas now stands.

Dale farmed all his life with his father and two sons except the years in service. He is now retired and he and Ruth lead a quiet retired life.

## SMITH-TAYLOR

William Henry Smith, Sr. married Phoebe Taylor 01 February 1832 (first marriage, her second marriage was to Asa Albert Hill, Sr.)

daughter of Henry Taylor. Their children were: Emaline Jane, wed Peter Mitchell 03 July 1850, then wed ? King; Nancy Burdine (1835-21 November 1850) wed John C. Keen; William Henry Jr. (30 October 1830-16 October 1913) wed Margaret Juliet David (1840), daughter of William and Sarah Muench Davis. Their children were Harry E., Scott, William Davis, Frank (died as a child), Crede P., Willard, Lavanch Adaline (wed Manford Lemmon), Julia Fannie (or Julia A.) (wed John H. Miller), John Thomas, Broaddus, and Charles Edgar (while drinking coffee in cafe was killed by a man who thought Charles was another man); Ruth E. (1837) wed Valentine McClurkin and their children were Dow H. (1861), Alex Alva (1865), Smith P. (1864), Rymus (1867), and Edna F. (1869); Eliza Louisa (1837) wed Archie McClurkin and their children were Friend, Effie M. (1866), Finis, Ida W. (1868), (these belong to the family but may not be in the right order: Sidney M. wed Mary Ann Houghland, and Mary Gaynell wed Pet Henseler, Ralph Willis, child: Ruth Bruno wed Joe Bruno; Sarah b. 1842); Remus (1844), Catherine; Sallie (died young); Josephine (1845) wed first Albert Vineyard and second Albert Helvey; and Galina/Julia/Julyanna (1848) wed James Taylor. (See Asa Albert Hill Sr., John Keene Sr., and William Davis histories.)

## SMITH-TOMAN

Wilfred X. Smith, born 14 May 1920 in Nashville, Illinois was the son of Patrick and Mary (Poroit) Smith. He was one of ten children: Patrick, Eugene, Severn, Bernard, Robert, James, Pauline (Loos), Mary (Wesslin), Virginia (Matecki) and Annabelle (died in infancy). Wilfred graduated from Nashville High School in 1938 and farmed in Pilot Knob Township in Washington County. In 1948 he purchased the James Dempsay farm two miles west of Rice in Perry County. He served as road commissioner for township 4-3 in Perry County and was a member of the Knights of Columbus, and the Washington County Sportmen's Club. He was a 4-H leader at Todds Mill and was employed by Midwest Black-Topping Company.

Rose Mildred Toman Smith was born 14 March 1918 in St. Clair County, the daughter of Joseph and Frances Ann (Hanock) Toman. Rose and Wilfred were married at Todds Mill on 11 May 1940.

Rose died 29 March 1993 in Pinckneyville. She was preceded in death by her husband, her parents, and one brother, Leo Toman. Wilfred died 05 July 1973.

The children of Wilfred and Rose are: Betty Ann Offerman of Beaumont, Texas; Wilfred Leo, Joseph Patrick, and Raymond Albert, all of Pinckneyville; and William Eugene of Metropolis, Illinois.

## SMITH-VANCIL

Denise Dianne Vancil, born 18 January 1963 in Du Quoin, Illinois, is the fifth child of John "Sam" Bailey and Dorothy Elaine Hilda Timpner Vancil of Du Quoin, Illinois.

Denise's grandparents were Laura Ann Frederking and William Bahre Timpner of Pinckneyville and Miles and Annabel Bailey Vancil of Du Quoin. Her sister and brothers are Deborah Bandy of Herrin, David, Dennis, and Darryl Vancil of Sunfield, Illinois.

Timothy Bryan Smith, born 22 January 1960 in Warren, Ohio, is the first child of Donald Edson and Susan Riddell Perkins Smith of Du Quoin.

Tim's grandparents are Jack Frederick and the late Lois Annette Allen Perkins and the late Warren Watson and Helen Lucille Gallagher Smith. His sister is Terri Louise Gilliam of Du Quoin.



Tim, Denise, and Andrew Smith-18 January 1998.

Denise graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1981 and Southern Illinois University in 1985. She received her Bachelors Degree in Music Education and is currently employed as a band and music director at Christopher Elementary School.

Tim graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1978. He received Associates Degrees in Applied Science and Drafting Technology at John A. Logan College. He is currently employed as a drafting engineer at John A. Logan College.

Tim and Denise were united in marriage 18 July 1987 in Du Quoin, Illinois. They celebrated the New Year of 1998 with the birth of their first child, a son, Andrew Bryan. He was born on 01 January, in Carbondale, Illinois.

Tim, Denise, and Andrew attend the Sunfield United Methodist Church where she also teaches Sunday School and they are both serving on different church committees. Tim and Denise enjoy music, sports, and watching their new son Andrew as he grows up.

## SMITH, WILFRED LEO

Born on 11 September 1942, Wilfred Leo Smith is the oldest son of Wilfred X. and Rose M. (Toman) Smith. He graduated from St. Mary Magdalen School at Todd's Mill in 1956 and Pinckneyville High School in 1960. He worked at the Mason Stave Mill in 1960 and Alton State Hospital in Alton, Illinois in 1962. He moved to O'Fallon, Missouri in 1963 and worked for McDonnell Air Craft for five years. Wilfred moved back to Perry County, Rice, Illinois in 1968 and worked for Spartan Printing Company and farmed.

Wilfred married Jane Ann Winters of Hurst, Illinois in 1963. They have five children, three boys and two girls: Wilfred John, Catherine Jane, Mildred May, Leo Lee, and Daniel Lee.

## SORROWS-BULLARD

Carolyn Jane (Bullard) Sorrows was born on 13 December 1951 in Salem, Illinois in Marion County. She is the second child of Betty (Roney) and the late Floyd (Red) Bullard of Centralia, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were Elmer and Ethel (Fatheree) Bullard from Alma, Illinois. Maternal grandparents were Reverend Guy and Grace (Estes) Roney of Marlow, Illinois.



Grady Lee Sorrows was born on 17 May 1946 in Centralia in Marion County. He is the son of Avis Lee (Ghere) and the late Henry Grady Sorrows of Centralia. Paternal grandparents were Wiley Sanford and Emaline Elizabeth (Huffman) Sorrows of Waco, Texas. Maternal grandparents were Samuel Jesse and Nancy Elizabeth (Thompson) Ghere of Centralia.



*Grady, Carolyn, Grady Alan, and Scott Sorrows-November 1995.*

Carolyn graduated from Central Grade School in 1966, Centralia High School in 1970, and Kaskaskia College in 1972. All of these schools are in Centralia. She also graduated from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale in 1974 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Secondary English Education. She again graduated from Southern Illinois University-Carbondale in 1977 with a Master of Science Degree in Guidance Counseling and Educational Psychology. Carolyn moved to Du Quoin in June 1973 when she married Grady. She worked as a substitute teacher in Perry County schools for many years. She also worked six years as a tutor for the JTPA program. She has worked as a guidance counselor at Sparta High School for three years and is currently a guidance counselor at Du Quoin High School.

Grady graduated from Franklin Grade School in 1960, Centralia High School in 1964 and attended Centralia Junior College until he entered the United States Army. He served in the army from April 1967 until April 1969. He was stationed in Mainz, Germany for twenty months. Upon his return, he worked as a clerk at Hartings American Auto Parts Store in Centralia. In December 1971 Grady moved to Perry County and began work as a billing clerk at Consol Burning Star #2 Mine. He later became a tippie foreman and acting plant foreman until the mine closed in October 1996. In March 1997 he became a laborer electrician at Southern Illinois University-Carbondale where he currently works. He also graduated from John A. Logan with an Associate of Arts Degree in 1974.

Grady and Carolyn were married on 09 June 1973 in Centralia, and have resided in Du Quoin since that time. Their first son, Grady Alan, arrived on 02 February 1979, and Scott Andrew arrived on 03 December 1982.

The younger Grady is a freshman at John A. Logan College. He plans to transfer to Southern Illinois University and major in architectural studies and interior design. He is active in the church chime choir. He is very much interested in studies of the Titanic. Scott is a freshman at Du Quoin High School. He is active in football, track, Future Farmers of America, and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He plans to attend John A. Logan College and Southern Illinois University and major in an agricultural field.

The family attends Elkhville Baptist Church. Grady and Carolyn are members of the church choir and the church chime choir. Grady enjoys woodworking and computers and is a good "fix-it" man. Carolyn enjoys reading, computers, and school activities.

## SROKA-HEISNER

Lottie Mae Heisner (29 August 1922) married Joe Sroka (30 March 1915) on 02 March 1946. He is the son of Leo and Helen (nee Filipski) Sroka. They have four children: Charles, Frances, Joan and Patricia.

Charles Sroka (04 August 1946) married Janet Engelhardt 26 December 1964. They have two children: Cherri and Wes. Cherri (27 July 1965) married Kenneth Charles Mohr 27 February 1988 and they have one daughter, Olivia. Wes (06 August 1971) married Sheri Welch 14 November 1992 and they have one daughter, Julian, born 22 March 1993.

Frances Sroka (27 November 1947) married Stephen Dunn on 03 December 1966. They have two children: Kevin and Keith. Kevin (22 August 1967) married Martie Harsha on 05 May 1990 and they have one daughter, Stephanie, born 12 June 1995. Keith (14 April 1971) married Melissa Morris on 10 August 1996.

Joan (24 July 1949) never married or had children.

Patricia (22 August 1951) married Nicky Lewis on 07 March 1970. They have two children: Joel and Jason. Joel (30 August 1970) married Jeana Firestone 25 February 1995 and they have one son, Jacob, born 15 August 1997. Jason was born 15 March 1975.

## SRONCE-BROWN

Walter H. Sronce was born 30 August 1889 in DuBois, Illinois the fourth son of Margaret Ellen (Coffel) Pugh Sronce. Ellen had married Jonathan Pugh and bore him two sons, Charles and Columbus "Clum" Pugh. Jonathan Pugh died and she married Henry Sronce. With Henry she had three sons, Jefferson, Walter, and Wesley. After her second husband died, Ellen married Floyd Norris and they moved to Du Quoin, where a sixth son was born; his name was Hardy Norris.



*Walter and Clara (Brown) Sronce circa 1953.*

Clara Catherine Brown was born 01 January 1891 in Pinckneyville, Illinois the daughter of James K. "Polk" Brown and Ida May (Robinson). Her parents also moved to Du Quoin where she and Walt met and married on 25 December 1906.

Walter worked many years in the area coal mines, but he also was elected as Sheriff in Du Quoin Precinct for several years. During the 1930s and 40s he worked at the Menard Federal Penitentiary as a guard.

Walter and Clara were the parents of six children, four who survived to adulthood: Mabel Irene, born 20 July 1908, died March 1991; Ruby Lucille, born 29 July 1910, died September 1976; Ivan Leroy, born 08 April 1912, died August 1975; Wilma Flosine, born 11 August 1918, living in Phoenix, Arizona; Junie Sronce, born 21 January 1925, stillborn; Marian Louise, born 30 October 1928, died 17 March 1929.

After his retirement, Walter and Clara were custodians of the First Christian Church in Du Quoin, where they had been members for over 50 years.

Walter was a member of the IOOF and Clara was a member of the Eastern Star.

The original surname of Jefferson, Walter and Wesley was spelled Sronce, but Walt shortened his last name to Sronce, the way it is pronounced, because so many people had difficulty. At the time of their deaths, Walt and Clara had 15 grandchildren, 43 great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild.

On 26 July 1968 Clara Sronce died of complications following a series of strokes. On 16 November 1968 Walter Sronce died of natural causes at his home.

## SRONCE-MORGENTHALER

Laura Jean Morgenthaler was born 14 October 1966 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois, only daughter of Connie (nee Chapman) and Larry Morgenthaler. Connie was born 08 July 1939 in Pinckneyville to Kathryn (nee Hawkins) and James Craig Chapman. Larry was born 03 March 1940 in Perry County, Illinois to Mary (nee Brueggemann) and John Creal Morgenthaler. Laura attended school in Pinckneyville, graduating from Pinckneyville High School with the class of 1984. She went on to attend Rend Lake Junior College and graduated in May 1986 with a Certificate as a Medical Secretary. She began working at the Pinckneyville Community hospital in the Admissions Office in December of 1982 and continued working there while attending college.



*Michael and Laura Sronce Family.*

Michael Gene Sronce was born 27 September 1962 in Peru, Indiana to Carol (nee Sullivan) and Ray Gene Sronce. Carol was born 02 February 1936 in Pinckneyville to Fleta (nee Pursell) and John Sullivan. Gene was born 15 June 1935 in Pinckneyville to Melissa (nee McElroy) and John Sronce. Gene Sronce was a career Air Force serviceman, therefore Mike and his family moved quite often; once having lived in Germany for two years. They returned to Pinckneyville in 1972. Mike received his schooling in different states but was graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1981 and went on to attend Southern Illinois School of Technical Careers where he was



graduated in 1985 with a degree in Aviation Technology and was licensed by the FAA as an airplane mechanic.

Mike and Laura began dating in September of 1982 and were married on 08 November 1986 at the Methodist church in Pinckneyville. Their first home was in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida where Mike was employed at Miami International Airport by Eastern Airlines. Laura's first job after leaving Pinckneyville Hospital was as a Medical Transcriptionist in Boca Raton, Florida. In May of 1987 Mike was transferred to Washington, D. C. National Airport and they moved to Woodbridge, Virginia. Laura became employed as an assistant to the Office Manager in the office of Cambridge International in Arlington, Virginia. In February of 1988 Mike became employed by US Airways and in May of 1989 he was promoted and transferred to US Airways Technical Operations in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. They moved to Oakdale, Pennsylvania and Laura began working as a Medical Transcriptionist at Sewickley Valley Hospital where she worked until May of 1996. She now works out of her home for a medical transcription service.

Mike and Laura became parents of their first son, Ryan Michael, 10 December 1990. They later became parents of a second son, Koby Gene, on 05 May 1994. Ryan and Koby were both born at Sewickley Valley Hospital.

Mike and Laura are Harley Davidson fans and in May of 1994 Mike bought his first Harley. They have made several small trips on the motorcycle and in July of 1996 they made a 1500-mile trip from Pennsylvania through Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee, Kentucky and Illinois.

## STAHLHEBER-JENNINGS

On 01 January 1935 Thurlow Emmons Stahlheber (08 April 1908-04 March 1967), son of Rudolph and Myrtle L. Quigley Stahlheber, married Stella Mae Jennings (born 03 March 1915), daughter of George and Lora Eaton Jennings of Somerset Township, Jackson County, Illinois.

They made their home on Penina Street in Pinckneyville, later moving to Belle Avenue. Thurlow was a miner at United Electric Fidelity strip mine for 37 years.

Thurlow and Stella were active in several social organizations, Mitchell Lodge #85, Scottish Rite of East St. Louis a 32 degree mason, Charter Member of the White Shrine, Boy Scouts and Rotary. Stella was active in Eastern Star, Royal Neighbors, Senior Citizens and AARP. Together they ran the business, The Farmers Supply Company, in Diamondtown, selling guns, fishing equipment, boat and trailers, and small animal feeds.

To this union were born three children: Nancy Carrol (born 25 February 1938) who married Harvey C. Hottes (see Hottes-Stahlheber history); Thurlow Edward (born 12 July 1940) who married Judy Kay Woodside (see Stahlheber-Woodside history); and Sandra Kay (born 18 March 1946) who married Robert Wendling (see Wendling history).

## STAHLHEBER-QUIGLEY

Myrtle Leona Quigley of Craigs (born 02 November 1890) married 13 October 1908 to Rudolph Stahlheber of Pinckneyville, Illinois. She is of the tenth generation from the children of John and Pricilla Alden. To this union were born ten children.

Thurlow Emmons, born 14 April 1908, died 04 March 1967, married 01 January 1935 to Stella Mae Jennings, born 03 March 1915. They had three children: Nancy Carrol, T. Edward, and Sandra Kay.

Dorothy Eunice, born 09 January 1909, married 08 September 1928 to Oren Joseph Reith, born 25 July 1907, died 26 December 1995. They had five children: Barbara (Crystal), Donald, Letha (Ferrero), Marlyn (Brown), and Majorie.

Rudolph James Jr., born 05 May 1912, died 17 September 1982, married 18 October 1933 to Alice Ann Ogilvie. They had three children: Rudolph B., Oma, Alice Ann (Burris, Diana Burger).

Ruppert, born 09 March 1914, died 10 March 1959 in Houston, Texas, married Velma Peterson of Amarillo, Texas. Their two sons are Gary B. and Donald Wayne.

Paul Fay, born 07 September 1918, died 02 April 1981, married Jane (?) in Tampa, Florida. They had no children.

Marjorie J., born 24 January 1916, married 15 July 1943 to Raymond Schickedanz, born 16 September 1916, died 20 November 1989. Their children are Michael, John, and Marlene (Sorgnard).

Neil Leonard, born 11 October 1920, died 20 November 1980 in Canoga Park, California, married first 22 November 1955 Billie Nausely Seiler, died 28 July 1956. He adopted Billie's son, John Robert born 06 July 1954. Neil married second 14 April 1962 Vivian M. Jacher, born 03 January 1922 in California. Neil and Vivian adopted three other children: Kathleen Louise (born October 1948), Kevin Neil (born 15 December 1964), and Susan Vivian (born 31 August 1965)-all in Los Angeles, LA County, California.

Norman Earl, born 11 August 1923, married 16 April 1951 to Betty Ann Sutter, born 18 February 1931. They have two sons, Eric Paul (born 02 April 1952) and Donald Eugene (born 29 June 1953).

Roland B. was married but had no known children.

Howard Delbert married 01 February 1957 Janet Elaine Mitchell, born 19 March 1938 in Madison, Wisconsin. They have four children: Susan, Bruce, Elaine, and Carl Roland.

Myrtle died 18 June 1961 of injuries from a two-car collision near Woodford, Illinois. "Doph" was a brakeman for the Missouri Pacific Railroad his working years. In retirement he hunted mushrooms and fished. He died 11 December 1972.

## STAHLHEBER-WOODSIDE

T. Edward Stahlheber, born 12 July 1940, and Judy Kay Woodside, born 24 May 1944, were united in marriage at St. Pauls United Church of Christ on 07 December 1968.

They purchased a home in Sparta and have lived there since their marriage. They had a daughter, Katrina Ann, born 30 August 1970, who married Jeffery Burke of Red Bud, Illinois on 02 April 1992 in Sparta, Illinois. Katrina and Jeff have a daughter, Amber, born 07 February 1996.

Ed worked as a miner at Peabody underground mine in Marissa for 22 years. For many years he was a marksman in pistol and trap shooting, holding several titles. Judy has been an excellent homemaker and insurance secretary for the Sparta Hospital.

## STANHOUSE-YANCY

Walter Stanhouse, Sr. was born 07 July 1856 in Linlithgon, Scotland and died 12 July 1909 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Walter was the son of Malcolm Stenners II and Christinanna Stanners. Walter married Rebecca "Becky" Yancey 28 August 1876 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of John H. Yancey and Margaret Evans Bridgewater. It is believed Rebecca Yancey was one quarter Cherokee Indian.



Walter Stanhouse Sr., Rebecca Yancey Stanhouse, Walter Jr. (1881) and Amos (1883).

Children of Walter Stanhouse and Rebecca Yancey are: Virginia Stanhouse; Josephine "Josie" Stanhouse, born October 1876 in Illinois; Christena "Tena" S. Stanhouse, born 23 January 1878 in Illinois, died 23 March 1944, married Elmer Levi Commean; Margaret Elizabeth "Mattie" Stanhouse, born 02 November 1887 in Illinois, died 1979 in Du Quoin; Walter G. or L. Stanhouse Jr., born 27 December 1881 in Illinois, died 08 February 1955 in Du Quoin, buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin; Amos Ardell Stanhouse, born 15 October 1883 Du Quoin, Illinois, died 28 May 1946 in Du Quoin; Rebekah "Sissie" Stanhouse, born December 1885 in Illinois; Thomas "Tom" A. Stanhouse, born November 1889 in Illinois; John A. Stanhouse, born November 1891 in Illinois; Rachael Emma Stanhouse, born June 1895 in Perry County, Illinois, died December 1968; Barbra "Babie" Stanhouse, born August 1898 in Arkansas; and Amos William "Bill" Brayfield, adopted child.

The name Stenners was changed to Stanhouse because the tradition in the old country (Scotland) was to say you were from the "House of someone's surname," but you would tell people you were from the "Stenners House." So people in the United States would mistakenly call them Stanhouse.

Walter Stanhouse was a resident of Illinois for 48 years and died accidentally by top coal falling on him in Forester's Mine (later known as Paradise Mine) in Du Quoin. Walter immigrated to America when he was five years old with his parents and they settled in St. Johns, Illinois. He was a member of the K. of P. Lodge and Red Men. (Source: Du Quoin Evening Call, 12 July 1909.)

It is believed the Stenners migrated to America in 1861. One brother got off the boat in New York and the other two brothers went to Louisiana, then traveled to Kentucky. They worked in the mines in Kentucky and then moved to Perry County, Illinois.

In 1880, Walter and Rebecca Stanhouse were living on South Walnut in Du Quoin, Illinois. In 1900, they were living at 32 Hickory in Du Quoin.



In the 1920 Census, Rebecca was living alone on East North Street, next door and just east of Elmer and Christena Commear's house located at 509 East North Street in Du Quoin.

Amos William "Bill" Brayfield lived with his grandmother, Rebecca Stanhouse. He is buried in Sunset Memorial Park. Amos was the son of Bill Brayfield and Barbara Stanhouse Brayfield. After Barbara's death, their four children were adopted by different family members. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commear.*

## STANLEY

Stephen Stanley was justice of the peace in White County, Illinois 1817-1823. He died in 1835, leaving his wife, Mary, and six children: James and wife, "Gilley"; Isaac C.; Furney; Nancy; Sarah "Sally"; and Stephen Jr.

James and Gilla (Harris) Stanley were married 16 June 1818. He died in 1845 and she in 1861. They are buried at Pleasant Grove, Barnhill Township, Wayne County, Illinois. Their children were Isaac Harris and Robert, twins, and John, Gilliam, Stephen, Nathan, Selathiel, Berry, Tyra, and James Casey (Kaze).



*George and Mary Stanley.*

Stephen Stanley was born 20 October 1825 in Wayne County and married Matilda Williams 30 August 1852 in White County, Illinois. Their children were James R., George Washington, Stephen Jack, Joseph Berry, Mary Loretta, Amanda Isabel, and Martin Casey (Kaze). Stephen is buried in Bethel Cemetery, White County. After his death, Matilda married James Jones. They had no children. She is buried in Centerville Cemetery.

George Washington Stanley was born 14 September 1856. In 1886 he married Mary Loretta "Molly" Moss, born 21 August 1867, Franklin County, Illinois. He was a carpenter and they lived near Enfield, White County, then at Macedonia, Franklin County, before moving to Du Quoin in the early nineteen hundreds.

They had eleven children, of whom four died: Charlie, who died in early teens; twin boys stillborn; and one daughter who died very young. The others, all now deceased, were Ella Mae (Phillips) Prenos (05 May 1886-25 September 1956), Martin Edward (30 December 1888-04 May 1964), Matilda Jane Neville (10 September 1891-09 April 1978), Robert Earl (30 October 1894-15 August 1974), Amanda Belle Webb (26 June 1898-13 April 1922), Nellie Bly Satterfield (01 November 1900-27 April 1980), and George (07 April 1907-13 July 1996).

Ella Mae married Fred Phillips (deceased). They had three children: Sophia (Makris) Acker (deceased), Opal Stowers (deceased), and Fred Phillips Jr. (deceased).

Martin Edward married Letha Jane Kelley (deceased) and they had nine children: Ralph Harold (deceased), Floren Gerald (deceased), Clifford Dale (deceased), Edrie Imogene, Dorothy Cleo Rice, Ray Edward, Ruby Maxine (deceased), Delmar Leo, and Russell.

Matilda Jane married Jacob Thomas Neville and they had eight children: Mary Finney, Earl "Ike" (deceased), Edna Conley, Bessie Conley, Edith Russell, Thomas Edward (deceased), and Dean (deceased).

Robert Earl married Lillian Coulter (deceased) and they had six children: Geneva Parker, Beulah Robinson, Ruth (Pierce) Doerr (deceased), Lyle Dean, Inez Beard, and Dorothy "Dotty" Bench.

Amanda Belle married Spiva Webb. They were childless.

Nellie Bly married Walter Raymond "Pop" Satterfield (deceased). They had six children: Robert Stanley, John Walter, Georgia Louise (Flora) Galloway, Ruby Irene Brock, Raymond Eugene, and Juanita Faye Porter.

George married Margaret Keigley (deceased). They had six children: George Wainwright, Truman Jerome (deceased), Shirley Jewell King (deceased), Phillip Stephen, Margaret Ilene Jackson, and April Jean (deceased).

The grandchildren of George and Molly Stanley remember them with great love, admiration, and respect for their uprightness, honesty, and their love for God. They are buried at Old Du Quoin Cemetery. *Submitted by Imogene Stanley.*

## STENNERS-STANNERS

Malcolm Stenners II was born 1817 in Scotland and died 22 July 1864 in the Civil War. Malcolm II was the son of Malcolm I and Elizabeth Adamson. Malcolm II married Christinana Stanners in 1838 in Carriden Manse Parish Church, Bo'ness, Scotland. Christinana Stanners was born in 1816 in Scotland.

Malcolm Stenners married Christinana Stanners and this was listed as her maiden name on the church records. Malcolm Stenner's address was Sheersmill Culross, Perthshire, Bo'ness. The Stenners immigrated to America in 1861 (see Stanhouse-Stenners and Morris-Stanhouse histories in Volume I). The Stanhouses can be found in Genevieve Rainey's index cards located in the Du Quoin Public Library.

It is believed that one set of Stenners came over with Brigham Young, the Mormon leader, on the same ship. They traveled with them in the same wagon train west from the East Coast to Illinois. The Stenner name was changed to Stanhouse at Ellis Island due to their heavy brogue. The Stanhouses came over in three groups. The first group purchased a house and when it was paid in full, they mortgaged it to pay for the second group to come over. Then when the next mortgage was paid for, they mortgaged it again to pay for the third group.

Both father and son were in the Civil War and both were killed at Atlanta, Georgia on 22 July 1864. Malcolm Stanhouse, Jr. was a musician in the 12th Infantry, Company G, and he was killed at Atlanta on 22 July 1864 per the book, History of Randolph, Monroe, and Perry Counties, page 210.

Children of Malcolm Stenners and Christinana Stanners are: James Stanhouse, born

1839 in Scotland, died 06 February 1879 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois in an Enterprise Mining accident. He married Anna Snedden. Anna was born about 1846 and her name may have been spelled Carrie Snedden or Sarah Ann per the book, IOOF Cemetery with Genealogy, Du Quoin, Illinois 1993. Per Malcolm Stanhouse's list of principle incidents in his life (newspaper article possibly Du Quoin Call) he states: "I was born at Boness, Scotland, 03 May 1859. My pastime when just a little boy was fishing and wading in the sea which was very near our home. In the year 1866, when I was but seven years old, I started in the Snad mines. I started in with my Uncle Robert Snedden (believed to be a relative of Anna Snedden). On the 14th day of August, 1876, we sailed for America. We arrived in Du Quoin August 28th."; Catherine Stanhouse, born 1842 in Scotland; Margarite "Maggie" Standhouse, born 1846 in Scotland; Elizabeth Stanhouse, born 1848 in Scotland; Christiana Stanhouse, born 1853 in Scotland, died 1929, married Jack Golden; Walter Stanhouse Sr., born 07 July 1856 in Linlithgow, Scotland, died 12 July 1909 in Du Quoin, Illinois. Walter married Rebecca Yancey. Walter Stanhouse, Sr. funeral services were held at the residence on the corner of Park and Hickory streets; and John Stanhouse, born 1860 in Scotland. *Submitted by Paul Kevin Commear.*

## STERN-STUNNER

Anthony Stern (1811-1812) born in Alsace-Lorraine, France/Germany married Rosena Stunner (1815-1816) born in same location. They had three children: Rosena, Anton, and Margaret. They brought all three to the United States about 1851-52. Their son, John A., was born in 1853 in Hoansdale, Pennsylvania.

In the 1880 Census they were living with John A. and wife, Elizabeth Faust Stern. How and when they came to Perry County is not known at this time.

According to record, John A. bought property in Rice about 1867 and his sister, Roseana Kellerman, and brother, Anton, bought land on the border of Perry and Washington Counties. John A., Jr. was a farmer, miner and owned a tobacco and liquor store and shared ownership in Dobson Tire on Main Street in Pinckneyville. The building still stands. John handled the battery part of the business. John A., Jr. met his wife, Mary Schneider, daughter of Matthew and Elisabeth Beck Schneider, while renting a room at their home. John and Mary wed at St. Bruno Cathlic Church 19 October 1904. He built a house in Rice and there he farmed and they had their family: John, George, Ralph, Charles, Raymond, Milton, Joseph, Eileen, and three stillborns.

They moved to Pinckneyville in the early 1930s and bought a house in Diamond Town in 1938 where they lived until the early 1950s when they sold it and went to live with family in Madison, Illinois.

The children of John A. and Mary Schneider Stern are all deceased except Milton and Joseph.

Submitted by Helen Stern York, daughter of George M. Stern, granddaughter of John A. Stern, Jr.

## STEVENS-WARD

Dr. Harry Ingraham Stevens, son of Harry Ingraham Stevens and his wife, Hannah Paisley, was born in Meade County, Kansas on 26



November 1884. In 1889 they homesteaded land in Lincoln County, Oklahoma. Educated at home prior to attending preparatory school for eighteen months, he graduated from Oklahoma A and M College (now Oklahoma State University) with a Bachelor of Science in chemical engineering in 1903. Following his graduation Dr. H. I. Stevens taught at Oklahoma A. & M.; worked at: a steel mill; By-Product Coke Company in the electrical laboratory; and a paint company in Chicago as a chemist. For three years he taught and took classes at Bennett College of Medicine and surgery (which later became Loyola University Chicago). In 1909 Dr. Stevens was valedictorian of his graduating class at Bennett College of Medicine and Surgery.



*Dr. Harry Ingraham Stevens and Frances Ward Stevens.*

He surveyed in Alaska for the Kennecott Copper Company before practicing medicine in Ashley, Illinois. On 11 July 1917 he married Frances Ward, who was born 23 September 1894 in Tamaroa, the daughter of Dr. Francis Marion Ward (born 10 May 1856; died 01 September 1917) and his wife, Desdamona Ariadne Lovelady (born 05 December 1858; died 03 October 1941). She received a diploma for Teacher's grade for piano from Forest Park University and College of Music in St. Louis on 28 May 1912.

Dr. Stevens, a major in the Army Medical Corps during World War I, remained at the University of Toulouse in France obtaining advanced certificates in medicine, surgery, French, history, and literature.

During the war, Frances studied violin and music at Drake University. While Doctor was overseas, she continued studying music at Northwestern University in Evanston. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Eastern Star.

Dr. Ward had had his medical office and drug store in Tamaroa. There, Dr. Stevens opened his office upon returning from France. Frances was his secretary, laboratory technician, and assistant. She continued to play the violin many evenings with Mrs. Appel at the piano.

For housecalls, Doctor used horses and cars that were met by wagons when roads were impassable. During World War II, when some Du Quoin doctors went into the military, Dr. Stevens helped their patients in their Du Quoin offices. In 1936 Dr. Stevens became a member of the American College of Surgeons. In 1959 he received the Award of Merit for over ten years service as Secretary of Perry County Medical Society. He practiced medicine in Illinois for over 50 years-40 of those in Perry County. In 1948 he received his license to practice medicine in California. He was a mason for seventy-five years.

After retiring, Doctor and Frances lived in La Jolla, California. He died 25 June 1978 in La

Jolla. Frances died in La Jolla on 21 September 1980. Their daughters: Harriet Patricia Cloud and Gloria Marian Joan Stone; and grandchildren: Guy Maurice Cloud III, Brooks Ward Stevens Cloud, Travis Caroline Cloud, Gregory Stevens Stone, Constance Elizabeth (Stone) Hubbard, and Marilyn Frances (Stone) Colton. *Submitted by Gloria Marian Joan Stevens Stone.*

## STOCKTON-WILKS

Kenneth Stockton was born 03 February 1925 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. His parents were Fred and Birdie (Marlow) Stockton. He had five sisters and one brother. They are as follows: Helen Feltmeyer of Greenville, Louise McKinstry of Pinckneyville, Marjorie Nevill of Decatur, Mabel Baudison of Pinckneyville, Robert of St. Charles, Missouri and Vicki Jones of Evansville, Indiana.



*Kenneth and Nina Wilks Stockton.*

Both Kenneth and Nina lived their entire lives in the Tamaroa area with the exception of three years Kenneth served in the Navy during World War II. Kenneth worked at several jobs through the years, the last one being at Consol #2 mine.

Since his retirement he has become involved in the Perry County Historical Society. The biggest job he has undertaken was cleaning up the Curlee Cemetery, two and a half miles northwest of Tamaroa. There is much history connected with the area, but too much to write in this space. There are Indians buried there and the mounds can be seen. We think this is the reason N.G. Curlee donated this parcel of land to be used as a cemetery.

Mr. Curlee also established a little town called Berlin where he operated a small store. By being a man of foresight we think that he was expecting the Illinois Central Railroad to come past the town. If it had not curved north of Sunfield, the railroad would have come past the little town of Berlin. Mr. B. G. Roots was also a man of foresight and he was able to persuade the Illinois Central to come by his house and that is why Tamaroa is located where it is today.

Speaking of the Illinois Central Railroad, many people living in this area do not know that there is a curve in the tracks north of Sunfield.

Nina was born 18 April 1925 to Harley and Grace (Opp) Wilks, one of two children. She had a brother, William Wilks of Du Quoin.

Kenneth and Nina were married on 25 November 1945 at the Christian Church in Tamaroa. Nina graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1943. She then went to Carbondale Beauty College and graduated in March 1944. She worked for a short time in Du Quoin. In September 1944 she opened her own beauty shop in Tamaroa. In 1946 she sold her shop but continued to work in her home until health problems forced her to retire from working. *Submitted by Kenneth Stockton.*

## STOMBAUGH-FULK

Rex and Marilyn Stombaugh reside on Laurel in Du Quoin, Illinois in the old Reagan home. Dr. Reagan was a dentist in Du Quoin. The home was constructed by John Williams, James Ward, Ira Breed, and Charles Ellis of the E.M. Wright Construction in the months of September and October of 1904. It was originally constructed with a large three-cornered porch. About ten years after construction one corner of the porch was incorporated into the living room of the home. The Stombaughs bought the home from the estate of Mrs. Reagan in 1977. At that time there was a hand pump in the kitchen and two cisterns behind the home. The home was heavily damaged in 1991 by an electrical fire. Gene Flint completely renovated the home as it is today.



*Jennifer, Marilyn, Rex, and Megan Stombaugh.*

Rex is the son of the late Edward Stombaugh and Juanita (Pollack) of Macon, Illinois. Juanita was the daughter of John and Alma Pollack of Walker. Edward was the son of Roland and Millie Carr Stombaugh of Macon. Rex has a brother, Neal, of Macon, and a sister, Sue Ellen Corbell, of Cartersville.

Marilyn was born to Ray and Ernestine Fulk of Pinckneyville. Ray's father, John Foster Fulk, was from Noble and his mother, Elva Wilkerson, was originally from Kentucky. Ray was one of twelve children and was first cousin to the late Delmar Fulk of Du Quoin. Ernestine was the daughter of Sam and Martha Buchanan. Their family history is listed elsewhere in this book.

Rex and Marilyn met while attending Millikin University and married on 10 February 1973 in Pinckneyville. Marilyn was an office nurse for her brother, Dr. Bill Fulk, for over twenty years in Du Quoin. In 1996 she became a Physician Assistant and now works at a rural health clinic in Benton. Rex is currently attending Southern Illinois University's physician assistant program and plans to graduate in August 1999.

Rex and Marilyn have two daughters. Jennifer Lynn was born 23 August 1977 at Du Quoin. She is currently a senior at Southern Illinois University majoring in Psychology. She plans to attend graduate school and earn a Ph.D. in Industrial Psychology. Megan Jean was born 11 February 1980 and will be graduating this year from Du Quoin High School as valedictorian of her class. She plans to attend Illinois Wesleyan University in the fall and study medicine or pharmacy.

## STOUT-EGBERT

The family of James Stout (1818-01 March 1870) and Sarah A. Egbert Stout (1822-possibly 1915) moved from Indiana to Pinckneyville, Perry



County, Illinois, sometime between 1856 and 1859. James and Sarah were born in New Jersey.

In 1850, James and Sarah Egbert Stout and four of their eight children were living in Butler Township, Franklin County, Indiana. Nancy Stout, born in New Jersey about 1801 and possibly James' mother, lived with them.



Aaron and Isaac "Ike" Stout, sons of James and Sarah Stout.

Seven of James and Sarah's children were born in Indiana: Aaron James (01 July 1843-09 October 1909), born in Franklin County; Mahala (1845-after 1870); Joseph (1847-?); Mary Ellen (03 February 1849-03 February 1886); Zebader (1850-?); William H. (1854-?); and Sarah Jane (1856-?). James and Sarah's son Isaac "Ike" (09 August 1859-27 May 1924) was born in Illinois.

In 1860, Philip Lennon Egbert (25 July 1837-18 December 1907), who was born in Pennsylvania and possibly related to Sarah, lived with James Stout and his family in Perry County. In 1861, Philip Egbert married Sarah Lawrence (about 1833-17 December 1909), who was born in Indiana. Their children, all born in Illinois, were Isaac S. (about 1864-1950), William (1867-?), and Jennetta (1873-?). In 1880, Philip and Sarah lived next to James and Sarah Stout's daughter Mary Ellen and her husband James Madison Campbell, in Denmark, Perry County, Illinois. Philip Egbert and his wife Sarah are buried in Denmark.

On 01 March 1870 in Butler County, Missouri, James Stout was reportedly shot and killed; his oldest son Aaron served as a prosecution witness in the subsequent murder trial.

Aaron Stout served in the Civil War and in 1868 married Rachel Elizabeth Haynes of Kaskaskia (see also Stout-Haynes and Stout-Sterling histories).

James and Sarah's oldest daughter Mahala married Ferdinand Barksdale, born about 1844 in Illinois. In 1870, Mahala and Ferdinand lived in Thomas Township, Butler County, Missouri, with son George L. (age 1); with Mahala's brothers Zebader (age 18), William H. (age 16), and Isaac (age 11); and with Mahala's sister Sarah Jane (age 14). Living next door were Mahala's brother Aaron (age 27), his wife Rachel (age 25), and son Thomas B. (age 1). Also living with Aaron and Rachel were Pompey M. (age 15), a farm hand, and Mary E. Helms (age 23).

James and Sarah Stout's daughter Mary Ellen married James Madison Campbell of Perry County (see Campbell-Stout and Smith-Campbell histories).

In 1880, Mary Ellen's brother "Ike" Stout lived with her and her family in Denmark, Illinois. On 05 December 1910 in Pinckneyville, Ike married Mary M. "Maggie" Hill (06 September 1866-09 January 1919), daughter of Sprance Hill

and (unknown) Robison of Sparta. Maggie is buried in Old Caledonia Cemetery, Sparta. After Maggie died and until his own death in 1924, Ike lived with his niece Ida May Campbell Smith and her family in Denmark, Illinois, near Little Galum Creek. Ike is buried in Hopewell Cemetery near Pinckneyville.

Two of James and Sarah Stout's second-great-granddaughters are Susan Carter-Patton, Rancho Mirage, California, and Ruthann Plymale, Rockford, Illinois. James and Sarah's third-great-granddaughter, Susan Burneson, lives in Austin, Texas. *Submitted by Susan Burneson.*

## STOUT-HAYNES

The oldest son of James and Sarah Stout of Pinckneyville (see Stout-Egbert history), Aaron James Stout, served in the Civil War from 1861-1864 in Company A, 31st Illinois Infantry. He was seriously wounded at Fort Donelson, Tennessee in 1862. A marble veteran's marker was placed on his grave at Ellis Grove Cemetery, Illinois in 1997.



Rachel Elizabeth Haynes Stout.

In 1867, Aaron moved to Randolph County, Illinois, with his brother Ike. On 20 February 1868, Aaron married Rachel Elizabeth Haynes, daughter of William S. and Nancy Catherine Kelly Haynes of Kaskaskia. In 1870, Aaron and his family were living in Butler County, Missouri. From about 1873 until his death, Aaron lived in the Kaskaskia area.

Aaron and Rachel's eight children were Thomas B. "Brade" (13 December 1868-13 August 1928) and Annie Laurie "Laura" (27 November 1871-20 March 1901), both born in Missouri; and John Aaron (28 August 1873-26 August 1933), Nancy Elizabeth "Lizzie" (01 April 1877-18 December 1901), Marie Catherine "Mary" (20 April 1879-10 June 1941), William James "Jim" (22 October 1882-27 March 1956), Edward Everett "Ev" (29 February 1884-21 July 1947), and Joshua Beverly "Bev" (05 April 1886-21 February 1956), all born in Illinois.

Brade married Emma Rose Armstrong (1870-after 1970) of Rockwood. After Brade died in Herrin, Rose taught in Kaskaskia. Their children were Golda, Velma, and Leonard.

Laura married George Andrew Kenner, son of Francis and Julia Boland Kenner of St. Genevieve County, Missouri, on 05 June 1895. In 1900, George and Laura lived in Murphysboro, Illinois, with sons Wallace James (04 June 1897-26 October 1981) and George Francis (03 April 1899-26 October 1985) and Laura's sister Lizzie, who never married. Their one-day-old son Clifford Dean died 16 March 1901. George later married Sallie Howell (02 November 1877-18 January 1902) and Ida Kaul (06 February 1878-1955). Laura, Clifford Dean, and Lizzie are buried in Ellis Grove.

John Stout married Bertha Adella Sterling of Pinckneyville (see Stout-Sterling history).

Mary Stout, former wife of Jess Slick of Pennsylvania, died in Perry County. She is buried in Ellis Grove.

Jim and wife Matilda Elizabeth "Tillie" Johnson (09 March 1888-01 July 1985), and their son Robert Lee (21 April 1910-15 July 1994) and wife Dorothy Ruth Lipscomb (23 June 1912-?), farmed in Kaskaskia for many years. Lee is buried in St. Marys Cemetery, St. Marys, Missouri. Lee and Dorothy's son James Lee married Billie Sutherland.

Ev married Elsie Christmas Johnson (25 December 1895-20 February 1949); they lived in Herrin and Johnston City, Illinois. Their children are Esco, Nancy Elizabeth (31 March 1917-), Dora, Wallace George (deceased), Margaret Lillian, Harry Floyd, Harvey Aaron, and Thomas Bradley.

Bev and second wife Lutitia "Tish" Saunders Stout, had a daughter, Mary Virginia, born in Perry County on 17 November 1920; a son died there on 14 June 1924. Mary Virginia and Edward Miles Stowers' daughter, Donna Dolores was born in Perry County on 13 February 1940. Tish, the daughter of P.J. and Mary Reid Saunders, died in Perry County in 1942. Tish and Bev are buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery.

Aaron and Rachel Stout's great-great-granddaughter Susan Burneson lives in Austin, Texas.

## STOUT-STERLING

On 21 February 1900, John Aaron Stout (28 August 1873-26 August 1933), son of Aaron and Rachel Stout (see Stout-Egbert and Stout-Haynes histories), married Bertha Adella Sterling (10 July 1882-29 September 1959), daughter of Harriet Flowers (12 April 1843-25 November 1928) and William H. Sterling (16 July 1839-29 May 1914) of Pinckneyville. The births of nine of their eleven children are recorded in Perry County: Rachel Harriet (05 November 1900-26 January 1978), Elizabeth Thelma (09 August 1902-February 1979), William Aaron (28 September 1904-01 February 1939), James Broadus (09 November 1906-10 October 1936), Charles Sterling (17 January 1909-22 January 1909), Charlotte Marie (05 June 1918-16 November 1966), and Bertha Adella (19 December 1920). Two other children were Mila Elanora (16 November 1915-14 November 1962) and Margaret Bernadette "Berna" (23 December 1923-February 1969).



John Aaron Stout.

Elizabeth Thelma married Welcome E. Franks on 18 June 1925 in Perry County. Their children: Welcome E. Jr., Norma Hardy, and



Bertha Pearl (both girls deceased). Thelma Elizabeth is buried in Adena, Ohio.

John Lewis Stout and his wife, Ruby Barton, had one son, John Jr., and one daughter, Kaye (deceased).

Charlotte Marie married Thomas Gabriel Halley; they had two sons, James (about 1930-1989) and Charles "Chuck" (1938-), and a daughter, Patricia Victoria (1930-1972). Charlotte Marie is buried in San Carlos Cemetery, Herrin, Illinois. Patricia Victoria is buried in Herrin City Cemetery.

Bertha Adella Stout Murphy has a daughter, Judith Rae, and a son, Michael Charles. Judi's two daughters are Laurie Lee and Jennifer Rae. Michael married Marcia McKinney; their children are Megan and Michael Patrick.

Margaret Bernadette Stout Ellis had one daughter, Lynette. Margaret Bernadette is buried in Carterville, Illinois.

John Aaron Stout is buried in Ellis Grove Cemetery. Bertha Adella Sterling Stout, William Aaron Stout, James Broadus Stout, and Wesley Franklin Stout are buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Pinckneyville. Rachel Harriet Stout Anderson is buried in Herrin City Cemetery, Herrin. Mila Elanora Stout Garner is buried in Sikeston, Missouri. *Submitted by Susan Burneson.*

## STULL-CRAIN

Born Phyllis Winifred Crain, 19 October 1923, first child and only daughter to Independence "Bud" Crain and Dora Irene Schwebel in Pinckneyville, Illinois; met and wed Walter "Bill" Wilburn Stull, 14 October 1947. Bill, being the fourth son of John Roy Stull and Lora Mae Thompson of Tamaroa, Illinois, was born 25 January 1918. With great hopes they were looking forward to celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, but were not that fortunate for God called Bill home 01 November 1995 after suffering with cancer of both lungs. Professionally, Bill was a baker over fifty years owning and operating his own bakery shop on the west side of Pinckneyville Square. His wife, Phyllis, aided in all book work concerning their business.



*Phyllis Stull.*

Family connections to Phyllis, either by blood or by marriage, are Crain, Rule, Hamilton, Brocaille, Schwebel, Heine, Miller, Kellerman, and Opp. Relatives of Bill are Stull, Thompson, Bartle, Reiad, Baughman, and Waldman. Very few relatives left on either family tree. Branches are getting very weak. Phyllis had two brothers, Douglas Eugene and Billy Lane Crain, neither having heirs. Bill had three brothers, Virgil, Warren and Max, all deceased. Family members are buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Du Quoin, Illinois, Antioch and City Cemetery in Tamaroa,

Illinois. Some are also buried in Mr. Vernon Sunset in Mt. Vernon, Illinois.

Phyllis has a great love for wildlife and enjoys nature with all its beauty. She gets great joy in collecting figurines, dishes and dolls. Having a natural talent for creativity, and having studied art at both Rend Lake and John A. Logan Colleges, Phyllis is an artist with her own studio/gallery. Having a husband who also liked traveling, they almost covered the world until his health ended their travels together. It was nice meeting and making friends on other continents.

As a lad, Bill belonged to the Tamaroa Boy Scouts and played basketball while a student at Du Quoin High School, from which he graduated. He served in World War II with the United States Air Force. He was baptized at Grace Baptist Freewill Church in Tamaroa. He later changed religious affiliations to the United Church of Christ, Pinckneyville, Illinois, along with his wife. Both were Chancel Choir members, both being members of the Perry County Historical Society. Bill was a member of the American Legion of Pinckneyville, Illinois and aided in projects of all local organizations, but would not join. *Submitted by Phyllis Stull.*

## SUCHOMSKI-BOROWIAK

Lawrence Bernard Suchomski is the third son of Louis and Hattie Suchomski. He was born in the Todd's Mill community on 19 March 1940 and graduated from St. Mary Magdalen Catholic School in 1954. He graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1958. He attended and graduated from Southern Illinois University in 1962 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agribusiness Management and in 1968 with a Master of Science in Agricultural Economics.

On 05 September 1960, Lawrence was married to JoAnn Borowiak, daughter of Ted and Mary Borowiak who lived in the Radom, Illinois area, at St. Michael's Catholic Church. To this union, five children were born.

Sherry (Mrs. Andy Dodd) of Port Charlotte, Florida, is a school teacher and mother of three children. Sandra is a medical doctor with a specialty in neonatal-perinatal medicine. Scott is married to Paula Ammons and lives in Greensboro, North Carolina. Scott is the sales manager for Weikels gift sales company and is the father of two children. Susan (Mrs. David Cox) of North Port, Florida is a school teacher. Steven, of Knoxville, Tennessee, will be attending the University of South Carolina in Columbia, South Carolina.

Along with the graduation from Southern Illinois University, Lawrence was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Air Force and attended Navigator's Training at James Connally Air Force Base in Waco, Texas. Upon receiving the Navigator rating, he was re-assigned to Charleston Air Force Base in South Carolina where he flew with the 41st Military Airlift Squadron on C-130E Hercules airplanes for four years. The mission of the 41st MAS was airlift support in Europe, the Middle East to Pakistan, Africa and South America. With the United States involvement in Viet Nam, much of the last two years were spent in Asia.

After leaving the United States Air Force and completing the Master of Science degree, Lawrence worked for agribusiness companies with 22 years at ConAgra, Incorporated. He worked in

Omaha, Nebraska for nine years and was then transferred to Knoxville, Tennessee. He worked as an economist, manager of purchasing, Vice President of Operations and Vice President and General Manager of the Eastern Region for ConAgra Fertilizer Company.

Upon his retirement from ConAgra, he joined the Montgomery Group, Inc., which is a small consulting company that works with companies in agri-business and the food industry in mergers and acquisitions, personnel placement, marketing research, management consulting and financial services. *Submitted by Lawrence Suchomski.*

## SUCHOMSKI-TURNER

The only daughter of Louis and Hattie Suchomski, Bernadette Florence, was born in 1942. As she was growing up, she helped her mother with household chores, helped stock items in the store, and babysat her two younger brothers, Jerry and Rich. She attended the two-room elementary school at Todds Mill, St. Mary Magdalen School, and was graduated from eighth grade in 1955. She then attended Our Lady of Perpetual Help High School, a preparatory high school for girls intending to become nuns, in St. Louis, Missouri and was graduated in 1958. In 1959 she began formal training to become a nun by entering the convent of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, the order of nuns who taught at St. Mary Magdalen's School in Todd's Mill. Studies to become a nun included college at St. Louis University, and after two years of college, she began teaching in elementary parochial schools as a nun, while completing her degree in mathematics as a part time student in the evenings and summers. Both her bachelors degree (1969) and masters degree (1974) were in mathematics at St. Louis University. Because a period of reform in the Catholic Church triggered many changes in the lifestyle of nuns, Bernadette Florence, then known as Sister Mary Audrey, decided not to remain a nun and, with the Pope's blessing, became a lay person in 1973.

She immediately began teaching high school mathematics at McCluer High School in St. Louis, Missouri. On 27 July 1974 Bernadette Florence Suchomski married James Turner, a high school teacher she met at McCluer High School who was originally from West Frankfort, Illinois. Bernadette and James have three children: James Jr., born in 1975, Kathleen, born in 1978, and Ruth Ann Turner, born in 1987. They lived in St. Louis, Missouri until 1979 when they moved to Colorado Springs, Colorado. There, James owned a kitchen cabinet and appliance business, known as Aspen Country Kitchens, with several partners, while Bernadette taught mathematics at Pikes Peak Community College. In 1986 Bernadette and James moved to Jefferson City, Missouri where they now reside. Bernadette is currently a mathematics professor at Lincoln University and has an ABD in Mathematics Education (1996) from the University of Missouri-Columbia. James worked as a parochial school teacher, as a nurse's aid, and when his health began to fail, as a desk manager at Lincoln University. He is currently disabled with severe heart failure and when his health allows, serves as "Mr. Mom" to their ten-year-old daughter, Ruth Ann. James Jr. attends Lincoln University where he is working on a degree in psychology and broadcasting. Kathleen



also attends Lincoln University where she is working on a degree in secondary education with emphasis in teaching social sciences and English.

## SWALLERS-POLING

Nila Louise Poling was born 23 April 1933 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She married Jimmie Lee Swallers, son of Roy Swallers and Iva Wright, 03 October 1954 at the First Presbyterian Church in Du Quoin.

Children of Nila Poling and Jimmie Swallers are: Steven Eugene Swallers born 08 July 1955 in Du Quoin at Marshall Browning Hospital; Stuart Dale Swallers born 18 November 1956 in Du Quoin at Marshall Browning Hospital. Stuart married Susie A. Kuberski 22 November 1986 at St. Charles Catholic Church in Du Bois, Washington County, Illinois.

Steven Eugene Swallers married Cheryl Lynn Anheuser 24 October 1981 in Du Quoin at the First Methodist Church. She is the daughter of Frank Anheuser and Rosetta Hackleman. Steven and Cheryl have two children: Rachel Evanne born 02 May 1984 at Du Quoin; and Matthew Benjamin born 25 October 1985 in Du Quoin.

## SWEAT-EVANS

Allen Sweat, the author's great-great-great grandfather, was born in 1756 in Halifax County, North Carolina. His parents are unknown. He enlisted as a private in the Revolutionary War in August 1782. He was honorably discharged in July 1783. He served in the 2nd Regiment in the North Carolina Line.

After the war, Allen moved to Wake County, North Carolina, where he married Nancy Evans on 23 January 1792. Her father was Ruben Evans. Later, the family moved to Lincoln County, Tennessee, and by 1830 was living in McNairy County, Tennessee, near the small town of Purdy. Allen's occupation was farming.

Allen died 29 March 1849 and Nancy died around 1855. Both died in McNairy County.

Nancy and Allen had nine known surviving children. These were William, Dallerson, Dawson, Ezekiah A. (author's great-great grandfather), Terrel, Hillsman, Cynatha, Cary, and Candes.

Ezekiah A. Sweat was born in 1806 in North Carolina. He died in the 1870s in Perry County, Illinois. He was a farmer. He married Sally Owens who was born in 1815 in Kentucky. Ezekiah A. and Sally had the following children: Margaret, Newton, John A. (author's great grandfather), James L., Jefferson, Nancy, Leroy Huggins, and William.

During or after the Civil War, Ezekiah, Sally, John, Jefferson, LeRoy, and William migrated to Four Mile Prairie in southwestern Perry County, Illinois. By 1880 only John, Jefferson, and William were in the county.

John A. Sweat was born in 1836 in McNairy County, Tennessee. In Perry County he was a farmer and later a teamster. He married Angeline Bryant on 28 October 1869 in Perry County. Angeline was born in Mississippi in 1843. She died in the 1880s and John died in the 1890s.

John and Angeline had one child, LeRoy Huggins (author's grandfather). LeRoy was named after his uncle. LeRoy was born 21 December 1872 in Perry County. Reportedly, LeRoy was a gifted musician and never had music lessons. After marriage he labored at various unskilled jobs.

LeRoy married Luella Marlow on 26

February 1896 in Perry County. She was born in 1880 in Franklin County, Illinois and died on 18 November 1943 in Perry County. Her parents were Merideth and Rachael (Bridges) Marlow. LeRoy died 22 January 1970 in Jackson County, Illinois.

LeRoy and Luella had the following children: Homer, Harry, Bessie Moore, Irene Feltmeyer, Mabel Miller (author's mother), and James Scott.

Mabel Miller was born 10 October 1917. She presently lives in Pinckneyville. She married Clarence Henry Miller on 30 January 1937 in Perry County. Clarence was born 23 December 1910 in Perry County. He died 25 October 1985 in Perry County. He was a coal miner. Clarence and Mabel had one child, Thomas Ray. (See Frank Miller history.) *Submitted by Thomas Ray Miller.*

## SZAREK-CRAIN

Dennis Szarek, the son of Walter and Lucille Poiter Szarek, was born 11 June 1949 in St. Louis, Missouri. When Dennis was an infant, Walter, Lucille and Dennis moved to what was to be their home on a farm located four miles east of Pinckneyville, which was owned by his maternal grandparents, Mike and Stella Poiter.

Dennis was already working on the farm at a young age. After graduating from high school he took full responsibility.

On 17 February 1969 he married Cynthia Crain. She was born on 18 October 1946 to Earl Dean "Red" and Marie Beck Crain, in Du Quoin, Illinois. Cindy was raised in Pinckneyville with her brother Dean and her sister Barbara. After graduating from high school, Cindy worked in the offices of Frazer Truck Lines in Pinckneyville until her marriage to Dennis.

Dennis and Cindy had one daughter, Diana Lynn. DeeDee is married to Raymond Baudison and they have a son, Bradley Matthew.

With the joy of their grandson's birth in 1994, Dennis and Cindy celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary, also in 1994.

Dennis and Cindy have worked side by side in the work and management of their grain farm and farrow-to-finish hog operation.

## TALLEY-MAXWELL

They came to know him as "Virg". His full name was Virgil Talley, born 17 February 1908, and even though he hailed from Cambria, in Williamson County, he became a friend to Perry County, Illinois. Born the sixth child to George Marshall and Flora Dell Talley, he joined an elder brother and sister as members of the Pinckneyville community. The purpose for his coming was to work as a coal miner at the Pyramid Mine. His father before him had breathed that black air down in the deep mines with pack mules hauling the heavy rock. His mother had been a community-minded lady with many friends. She was active in their neighborhood church and saw lots of new additions as a mid-wife. Unfortunately, Della left her family in death at the early age of 53. Their children were Verba (Keenan), George, Gladys, Elvin, Elvis, and Virgil.

Virgil's family was originally of Welch descent and migrated up through the southern states before settling in Williamson County, Illinois. Some years ago, while vacationing in Wales, Virgil's oldest granddaughter was pleasantly surprised to find a town named "Talley".

During his first months of residence, Virgil shared lodgings with his sister Verba and husband "Shanty-Boat", Frank Keenan, and their young daughter Billy Lou. He loved to teach her to sing, which eventually led him to the William Maxwell Electric Store where Hannah Maxwell waited on him. On 10 November 1930, the two lovers drove to Paducah, Kentucky and were married. To that union were born three children: Warren Dennis "Rick", Marsha Ann (Segedy), and Marilyn Beth (Dinkins).



Virgil Talley 1908-1989.

Rick married Jane Herr on 09 August 1959. They had three children: Wendy Warren, Scott Ryand, and Jennifer Jane.

Marsha wed Harry Jack Segedy on 29 January 1961 and they also had three children: Peter Marshall, Matthew William, and Stephen Michael.

On 29 March 1973 Marilyn wed Donald Ray Dinkins. They have five children: Jeffrey Allen, Lisa Dawn, Patrick Bryan, Donald Ray Jr., and Michael Wayne.

Many of Virgil's fishing buddies remember how he would go from one mine pit to another, exchanging fish. His family always saw him as a "Johnny Appleseed" of the fishing world. He dearly loved to be out among nature, learning from the seasons. Perry County is a better place because of the "outsider" who made this his home.

## TAYLOR-COMMEAN

Mary Frances Commean, born 17 July 1947 in Du Quoin, Illinois, is the daughter of Eugene and Francis Williams Commean. She entered a persistent state of wedded bliss by marrying David Taylor, 16 June 1967. Dave was born during a snowstorm 22 March 1947 in Du Quoin. When advised of the event, Grandpa Greenwood announced that he would "rather have a new fox hound pup." (These days, this kind of assault on his self esteem could serve as an excuse for anything from a nervous tic to mass murder.) His parents were Denzil and Violet Taylor, both deceased. Denzil's family lived for years (and many descendants still do) in and around Sesser, Christopher, Mulkeytown, and thereabouts. Violet was the daughter of John and Marie Rapuzzi of Du Quoin.

Dave and Mary attended Southern Illinois University beginning in 1965, commuting from Du Quoin. After graduation in 1969, they moved to a suburb of Chicago to seek fame and fortune—Mary as an executive assistant (highbrow terminology for secretary) and Dave as an electronics technician. After three years, it became evident that the seeking of fame and fortune might be abetted by additional education. Both re-entered Southern Illinois University in 1969 and



graduated in 1972-Dave with a degree in Microbiology and Mary with a degree in Food and Nutrition. For the next two years, they sought additional enlightenment (with occasional time off for less scholarly pursuits) and graduated with Master's Degrees in 1974. During this time, their positions as bus drivers, research and teaching assistants allowed them to live in a series of palatial estates in Carbondale, Cabria and Murphysboro. By 1974, both had amassed eight years of university education, but as Paul Simon might say "their education didn't hurt them none."



David and Mary Commeyan Taylor.

Fame and fortune seeking resumed in Duluth, Minnesota in 1974. (To find Duluth, go north to the North Pole, then go about another 100 miles.) Dave worked first in the Chemistry Department, then in the Computer Center where he became a self-taught geek. In 1980, they moved to a suburb of Minneapolis where Dave worked in the supercomputer division of Control Data, later transferring to the Advanced Communications division and later, into the Energy Management division. In the late 1980s, not wishing to stray from the path established by other manufacturers of mainframe computers, Control Data began a slow and painful disintegration. Dave's division was traded to Siemens AG. (Unlike professional athletes, he received no signing bonus.) Today, he remains with Siemens as leader and co-designer of a group responsible for a suite of products used to automate electric utility substations.

Mary's first career was in business where she was secretary to the senior vice-president of Clow Corporation in Oak Brook, Illinois. Her second career began at Southern Illinois University where she taught nutrition as a graduate student. Following graduation they moved to Duluth, where she taught at the University of Minnesota, Duluth campus. After four years in Duluth, the Taylors moved to the twin cities. Mary was a nutritionalist for the Department of Education for two years. For the past sixteen years, Mary has been the Director of Medical Nutrition Therapy at Queen of Peace Hospital. She has authored a cookbook entitled "Tempt My Heart A Loving Reunion of Health and Good Taste". She lectures throughout the state and has been active in the Minnesota Dietetics Association holding the office of President and Editor-in-Chief of their newsletters. More recently Mary acquired her certification as a Diabetes Educator and also the Director of the Regional Site of the International Diabetes Center.

Mary loves animals and enjoys biking, hiking and reading. Both of these two have enjoyed exchange students from Germany, Russia and the Netherlands.

Mary and Dave live on five acres in a forest south of Minneapolis with their daughter, Michelle, two cats and a dog. The last time they moved, it was painfully evident that they have amassed a great deal of "stuff". However, fame and fortune remain elusive. *Submitted by David Taylor.*

## TAYLOR, EPHRAIM REESE

Ephraim Reese Taylor, the son of Michael Taylor and Jane Wells, was born 13 March 1840 in Perry County. He married Sarah Harriet Gill, daughter of George Washington Gill and Martha "Patsy" Pelisha Gresham, on 27 March 1862 in Perry County. Sarah was also born in Perry County on 29 November 1841.

In 1868, Ephraim and Sarah, with three young children and several other family members, left Du Quoin in Perry County and headed for Texas. Included in the group were Ephraim's parents, Michael and Jane Wells Taylor, Jane's elderly father, Thomas Bates Wells, and their unmarried children: Elihu, Ellenor, Thomas, Mary, Meredith, John and Samuel. Joining the travelers was Ephraim's sister, Elizabeth Ann Taylor Snider, a recent widow, along with her five children: Harriet, Isaac, Margaret, Eva and Samuel. Another Taylor sister, Mary, brought her new husband, Dr. Edward H. Rees and his daughter Alice. Sarah Gill Taylor's younger sister, Adelia Honeywell Gill, also went with the family, as both of her parents had died by 1868.

During the trip, Ephraim's brother, Thomas C. Taylor, drowned while fording a river. After traveling as far as the Missouri Ozarks, they heard there was a terrible drought in Texas, so they decided to go no further. They homesteaded land in the area known as Roanoke near Joplin, Jasper County, Missouri.

Ephraim later traded this land for property three miles east of Avilla in Jasper County, because it had a spring and a rail fence. This became the Taylor farm and the Taylor Cemetery is now located east of there.

Ephraim died 30 May 1880 and Sarah passed away 14 March 1891. They are both buried in Taylor Cemetery. Two more children were born to them after the move to Missouri, making a total of five. Their children were: Lucine, Benton, Josephine, Hampton, and Thomas.

Lucine Taylor, born 15 October 1863 in Perry County, married William Andrew Hall, Sr., son of Justus Hall, Jr. and Electa Caswell, 15 April 1883 in Jasper County. They had two children, Bertie Leo and Mirtie Linn, before she died 28 October 1887. She is buried in Avilla Cemetery, Jasper County, Missouri.

Benton Gill Taylor, born 07 April 1865 in Perry County, married Alice Marion Zimmerman 11 November 1895 in Jasper County. Benton died 07 April 1865. He and Alice are buried in Taylor Cemetery, Jasper County. They had eight children: Vivian Esther, Viva Eleanor, Herbert Daniel, Alma Josephine, Ephraim Reece, Thomas Ely, Mildred Edith, and Rubye Harriet Taylor.

Josephine Taylor, born 24 January 1867 in Perry County, married William Andrew Hall, Sr., the widower of her sister, Lucine, 16 December 1888 in Lawrence County, Missouri. Josephine died 20 May 1951 in Jasper County. She and W. A. Hall, Sr. are buried in Avilla Cemetery, Jasper County. They had eight children: Justus Earl, Viva Electa, Gertrude Sarah, George Edwin, Nelia

Lucille, William Andrew, Jr., Mabel Alice and Rolland Taylor Hall.

Hampton Joseph Taylor was born September 1869 in Jasper County.

Thomas Edward Taylor was born 10 July 1871 and died 04 May 1909 in Jasper County. He is buried in Taylor Cemetery.

## TAYLOR, HENRY

Henry Taylor, Sr. was born circa 1780. He lived in the Owensboro, Daviess County, Kentucky area and later moved to Illinois. He had a daughter, Phebe, born circa 1816, who wed William Henry Smith, Sr. in Daviess County, Kentucky. The ceremony was performed 02 January 1832 by Thomas Downs, Minister of the Gospel (Greenbriar Baptist Church). The year William Henry, Jr. was born, 1835, the family moved to Illinois. According to the article in the previous Perry County History Book on William Eugene Smith, Henry Taylor was an Irish farmer from Kentucky.

According to "Taylor Genealogy," located in the Kentucky Room, Owensboro Public Library, Owensboro, Kentucky, it relates life of Benjamin Taylor who married Catherine Lee. Also, Benjamin was a Private, Daviess County, Kentucky, 11 January 1834 (placed on pension roll, pension began 04 March 1831). It could be that he was from Fort Hartford, Ohio County. Benjamin's lineage is outlined in this book. It is believed Phebe's father, Henry, married Ruth Hedges 27 September 1809 in Daviess County, Kentucky (published in Ohio County marriage records). Bondsmen: Henry Taylor and William Hedges. Consent: William Hedges made an oath Ruth was an orphan and he was her guardian. Indications were Benjamin had a family Bible as well as John A. Taylor and references were from these Bibles. "History of Daviess County, Kentucky," page 298, shows Benjamin Taylor, age 84, as a Revolutionary soldier in 1840.

According to W. S. D. Smith, recalling the history of Oak Grove Baptist Church's beginning 05 March 1864, indicated that Phebe Taylor Smith, as well as Enoch Taylor and his wife Nancy J., also William and Sarah Davis, were members (total of 11 in all)-am assuming Enoch was her brother.

On the 1850 Illinois United States Census there is a Joseph Taylor, age 46, wife Edith, daughter Pheby; Michel J. age 40, wife Jane, born in Kentucky; Godfrey Taylor, 32, born in Tennessee, and Lewis Taylor, 43, born in Kentucky. Then on the 1860 Federal Census for Illinois there is a Ruth Taylor, age 62, born in Virginia, living with William B. Taylor, 38, born in Illinois, wife Elizabeth, 23 born in Kentucky, children: Henry B., 2, born in Illinois and Catherine, 2, born in Illinois. On the 1880 Federal Census for Illinois there is a Henry Taylor, age 36; John S. Taylor, age 15; and Enoch Taylor, age 15, shown living close to Asa and Sarah Hill, Jr.; and Richard Taylor, age 24, living with William Henry Smith, Jr. I believe some of these Taylors are related to Phebe and Henry.

Phebe and William Smith named one of their daughters Ruth Elizabeth, who I believe is named for Ruth Hedges Taylor, who is believed to be Phebe's mother and Henry Taylor's wife. Author continues to seek information on these families. *Submitted by M.H. Cook.*



## TAYLOR, MICHAEL JAMES

Michael James Taylor, son of Thomas and Mary Taylor, was born 12 February 1810 in Illinois. Thomas Taylor, a native of South Carolina, had ventured into Illinois about 1803 along with Lewis Wells, Sr., the Pyle brothers and others. The Native American population was restless, and most of the colony returned to Kentucky, with the Taylor family going as far south as Port Gibson, Mississippi.

Sometime before Michael was born, the Taylors returned to Illinois, and by 1812, had settled in Jackson County. The Wells and other immigrants also returned. A history of Jackson County, published in 1878, states that a fort was built at Barcroft Place "by order" of Thomas Taylor in 1814. On 23 April 1818, Thomas Taylor recorded 160 acres in the southeast quarter of Section 25 of Jackson County, which later became Perry County in 1827.

On 08 November 1832, Michael married Jane Wells, the daughter of Thomas Bates Wells and Sarah McClain, and granddaughter of Lewis Wells, Sr. She was born 22 October 1813 in Kentucky. Michael was not the only Taylor to marry one of the Wells family members. His older sister, Grace Taylor, married Lewis Wells, Jr. and his brother, Joseph A. Taylor married Edith Pyle, another granddaughter of Lewis Wells, Sr.

Michael and Jane spent most of their lives in Perry County, but in 1868 moved to Jasper County, Missouri, along with other family members. Michael died 19 April 1875 and Jane passed away 27 March 1877. They are buried in Taylor Cemetery, Jasper County. They had at least ten known children: William, Elizabeth, Elihu, Ephraim, Ellenor, Thomas, Mary, Meredith, John and Samuel.

William A. P. Taylor, born about 1833 in Perry County, married Julia Ann Snider, daughter of Michael and Mary Snider, 01 October 1857 in Franklin County, Illinois. His son, Michael A. Taylor, was an infant when William died 28 November 1858 in Perry County.

Elizabeth Ann Taylor, born November 1835, married Samuel E. Snider 01 May 1856 in Perry County. Before Samuel died 10 February 1867 in Franklin County, they had five children: Harriet, Isaac, Margaret, Eva and Samuel. Elizabeth later married Robert Adams in January 1892 in Jasper Co., Missouri.

Elihu Onstott Taylor, born about 1838 in Perry County, died in May 1879 in Jasper County and is buried there in Taylor Cemetery.

Ephraim Reese Taylor, born 13 March 1840, married Sarah Harriet Gill, daughter of George W. Gill and Martha P. Gresham, 27 March 1862 in Perry County. Ephraim died 30 May 1880. He and Sarah are buried in Taylor Cemetery, Jasper County. Their children were Lucine, Benton, Josephine, Hampton, and Thomas.

Ellenor Taylor, born about 1842 in Perry County, married David Hunter 09 April 1869 in Jasper County, Missouri. Their children included Hallie and Dee.

Thomas C. Taylor, born in 1844 in Perry County, drowned in 1868, while fording a river with his family during the move from Perry County to Missouri.

Mary J. Taylor, born about 1846, married Dr. Edward H. Rees, son of James and Mary Rees, 20 November 1867 in Perry County. They also moved to Jasper County

Dr. Meredith Taylor, born 18 January 1850 in Perry County, married Adelia Hackney on 07 May 1873 in Jasper County. She had two children, Mertie and Bessie, before she died. He later married Alice Gill, daughter of Thomas E. Gill and Nancy Pyle, having four more children: Lucille, Ruby, Meredith, and Emerald. Dr. Taylor died 17 September 1913 and is buried in Taylor Cemetery.

John H. Taylor, born in 1853 in Perry County, married Mary Etta Stemmons on 01 February 1880 in Jasper County.

Samuel J. Taylor, born 24 December 1855 in Perry County, died 16 February 1870 in Jasper County and is buried in Taylor Cemetery.

## TAYLOR, MICHELLE JEAN

Michelle Jean Taylor was born 10 March 1984 at Queen of Peace Hospital in New Prague, Minnesota. Michelle is the only child of Mary and Dave Taylor. The family lives in a suburb of Minneapolis, Minnesota. She is a highly motivated, self-directed A student.



*Michelle Jean Taylor.*

Her love for animals has inspired her to become a Doctor of veterinary medicine. She is quite an accomplished horse-woman and the owner of a five-year-old Arabian mare, provided by her parents. Three saddles have been provided by her doting grandfather, Eugene "Gene" Commean of Du Quoin, Illinois.

Michelle rides and shows both English and Western. She also enjoys swimming, playing the piano and reading, as well as arts and crafts.

## TERRY-BRIDGES

George Terry, son of Thomas Terry, was born 11 December 1811 in Tennessee. He married Mary Kelly Bridges, born 22 June 1822 in Tennessee, daughter of Tyre (Terry) C. Bridges 29 December 1839 in Perry County. He died 17 April 1875 exactly one month after his wife's death. Mary was one of 21 siblings and her mother was Rachel Mairs. George served in the Black Hawk War from 04 June 1832 to 17 August 1832, a volunteer from Perry County. On 20 September 1838 he purchased forty acres of land in Section 14 for \$1.25. Their children:

Manerva Jane, born in 1841, married Peter Teel Haggard 28 April 1859. She died in 1860 and is buried in Paradise Prairie.

Leatha Ann born, 16 April 1842 married Thomas Mitchell Jones 27 February 1860. Her second husband was Thomas' brother Eber Jones, Jr. married 22 November 1874. They lived in Paradise Prairie.

Marion, a twin, was born 25 February 1844, married Mahala Ellen Jones, daughter of Eber

Jones, Sr. and Deniza Haggard 22 February 1865. Mahala was Eber, Jr. and Thomas' sister. He died 08 March 1906 and is buried in Du Quoin. Marion had the wanderlust, spending time in Kansas near the Indian Territory in 1879 and in Oklahoma. He was a coal miner. Widow Mahala married Tyre Rutherford Marlow 03 August 1906. She died 23 November 1925.



*(back) Emily Neomia (Terry) Wheatley, Eber Monroe Terry, Mary Catherine (Terry) Bailey, (front) Marion Terry, Mahala Ellen (Jones) Terry.*

Madison, Marion's twin, married Elizabeth Reeves 29 April 1867 in Perry County.

William was born in 1846 and died in 1896. He married Mary E. Ward 16 September 1879. He was severely wounded in the Civil War when a musket ball struck him in the face. It was not removed and he and his family lived on his disability.

Mary Elizabeth was born 1849 and died in 1874. She married Eber Jones, Jr. 19 April 1868. Alfred was born in 1851.

Thomas was born in October 1855 and married Mrs. Elizabeth Terry about 1877.

Sarah Caroline, born 25 February 1857, died 19 December 1941, married Miles H. McCollum 15 March 1878.

Marion and Mahala Terry had eight children; only three survived.

Eber Monroe, born 17 March 1874, died in Du Quoin 10 October 1946, married Maggie Mae Franklin, daughter of Edmond and Minerva Ann (Bennet) Franklin 27 December 1892. He attended the Christian Church, was a member of the IOOF Lodge, a coal miner and a carpenter, having built several homes in Du Quoin, one of which is the present Searby Funeral Home. Maggie died 18 January 1956. They had four children who survived.

Emily Neomia, born 05 August 1877, died 19 May 1926 in Christopher, is buried in Du Quoin. She first married William Francis 26 October 1891; later married Edgar Wheatley. She had two children by each husband.

Mary Catherine, born 12 July 1892, died 06 June 1945 in Sunfield, married George Bailey 12 November 1899. They lived in Sunfield and were the parents of Violet O'Keefe, Lavern "Twee" Bailey, and Norma Lay, all deceased.

The four children of Monroe and Maggie Terry that lived were:

Clara Myrtle, born 19 October 1893 in Sunfield, died 20 July 1984 in California, married William Earl Johnson, son of Winfield Scott Johnson and Mary Belle Philips, 29 August 1923 in Belleville.

Hiley Monroe, born 28 February 1906, died 11 May 1967 in Centralia, married Lena Harrison, daughter of Charles and Sarah Harrison, 26 April 1924. Lena died 18 October 1997.



Helen Gertrude, born 15 August 1908, died 11 May 1987 in Merrillville, Indiana, married Vern J. Miller, son of Charles and Pearl Miller, in Tamaroa 24 December 1928.

## TERRY-HARRISON

Hiley Monroe Terry (born 28 February 1906), only son of Eber Monroe and Maggie Mae Franklin Terry of Du Quoin, Illinois, had three sisters: Clara Myrtle, Ruth Mae, and Helen Gertrude. Hiley married Mary Lena Harrison (born 06 August 1905 Du Quoin), oldest child of Charles Thomas and Sarah Melinda Neville Harrison, on 26 April 1924 in Mt. Vernon. Hiley died 11 May 1967 and Lena died 18 October 1997. Both are buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery. Hiley and Mary were the parents of two boys and two girls.



*Lena and Hiley Terry.*

Hiley Wayne Terry (born 22 July 1927 Du Quoin; died 14 May 1998 Centralia) married Evelyn "Tiny" Henrickson (born 30 June 1930 Genoa, Wisconsin) on 08 April 1950. They were the parents of Mark Wayne Terry (born 11 January 1951), Cynthia Jo "Cindi" Terry (born 03 December 1953), and Brian Monroe Terry (born 12 December 1962). All of the children were born in Centralia, Illinois.

Lois Christine Terry (born 13 June 1930, Du Quoin) married Dr. F. Harold Johnson (born 19 June 1930) in Centralia on 06 July 1952. One son, Kent Terry Johnson (born 19 November 1957), and one daughter, Tracy Lynn Johnson (born 25 February 1961) were both born in California.

Carole Jananne Terry (born 28 May 1945 in Centralia) married William "Bill" Threlkeld (born 27 August 1943) in Mt. Vernon 20 December 1967. They have a son, Christopher Paul Threlkeld (born 08 September 1968 in Centralia), and a daughter, Carol Elisa Threlkeld (born 29 May 1970 in Alton).

Harold Eugene "Bud" Terry (born 04 September 1946 in Centralia) married Diane Iler (born 02 September 1952) in Fairview Heights 31 March 1978. They have a son, Bradley Ryan Terry (born 10 June 1981), and a daughter, Jill Elizabeth Terry (born 02 July 1987).

Blessed with the following grandchildren and great-grandchildren:

Mark Wayne Terry married Michele Malan (born 17 September 1953 Centralia) on 25 April 1975. They are the parents of Christen Michele Terry (born 01 August 1980 Centralia) and Matthew Monroe Terry (born 03 January 1984 Centralia). Dr. Mark is a chiropractor and works with his father, Dr. Wayne Terry.

Cindi Jo Terry married Joe Fulton 11 October 1980. They are the parents of daughters Lindsey Jo Fulton (born 12 March 1982) and Sarah

Elizabeth Fulton (born 22 April 1986). Joe is the owner of a fiberglass fabricating business in Centralia.

Brian Monroe Terry married Cheryl Ann Johanns (born 09 September 1969) in St. Louis, Missouri on 10 May 1997. Dr. Brian is an orthopedic surgeon presently at St. Louis University Medical Center, St. Louis, Missouri.

Kent Terry Johnson married Tracy Jelinek 15 April 1983. They have one child, McKenzie Jelinek Johnson, born 29 October 1985, all of Roseville, California. Tracy Lynn Johnson married Keith Shields 15 June 1985 in Roseville, California. They have two daughters, Jennifer Lynn Kanani Shields (born 23 June 1987) and Katie Shields (born 28 December 1991 in Roseville, California).

Christopher Paul Threlkeld married Denise Schumacher (born 10 December 1969) in Edwardsville. They have one son, Connor Michael Threlkeld (born 28 November 1997 in St. Louis, Missouri). Carol Elisa Threlkeld married Curtis Jurand (born 09 January 1971) in Edwardsville 25 June 1994.

Bradly Ryan Terry and Jill Elizabeth Terry are the children of Harold and Diane Terry.

Hiley Terry followed in the footsteps of his father and became a carpenter at an early age. Later he went into construction, building many buildings and facilities in southern Illinois including a Catholic school in Murphysboro and a water filtration plant in Belleville. He worked in Pekin and Harrisburg before moving to Centralia where he continued his business until his death. Lena Terry was an early teacher in the Du Quoin school system-her teaching certificate bears the number 12.

Dr. Wayne Terry lived in Centralia from 1940 until his death on 14 May 1998. He was a practicing chiropractor since 1957 along with his son, Mark. Wife, "Tiny" was a devoted wife and mother and a good cook.

Christine Terry Johnson lives in Roseville, California with her husband, Dr. F. Harold Johnson. Both are retired.

Carole Jananne Terry Threlkeld lives in Edwardsville. She is Assistant Superintendent for Instruction in the Roxana School System. Bill is a stock broker for Prudential Securities.

Harold "Bud" Terry is a job supervisor in St. Louis for Leritz Contracting Company. Wife, Diane, is in public relations for Parks Air College in Belleville.

This genealogy compiled by Wilma Walker, niece of Hiley Monroe Terry, with assistance from Jananne Terry Threlkeld, his daughter, and others.

## THOMPSON-NORTON

James Thompson was born on 01 April 1775 in either Virginia or South Carolina and married in Wayne County, Kentucky on 05 December 1804 to Margaret Norton. James died on 09 March 1861, and Margaret died on 17 April 1857, and both are buried in Greenbriar Cemetery in Perry County. They were both members of the Baptist Church of Christ at Four Mile Prairie.

Margaret Norton Thompson was born about 1780 in Randolph County, North Carolina to Messor Norton and Martha Higgins. Messor was the son of Edward Norton and Elizabeth Brown. Elizabeth's parents were William Browne and Elizabeth Cowgill.

The children of James and Margaret Norton Thompson, all born in Kentucky, were: Martha, born about 1806, married Jeremiah Walker; Soloman (see below); Faitha, born about 1809, married 1828 to John Hansford; Elizabeth, married in Kentucky to George Martin; Hester, married first, Samuel Branum, 1831 in Perry County and second, Hiram Denny; Jephtha, born 1815, married Cynthia Murphy in Perry County in 1842; John Norton, born 1818, married Harriett Caroline Brown in Perry County in 1838; Lewis S., born about 1822, married in 1841 to Lucinda J. Turner; James Harvey, married to Martha Murphy in 1844; and Nancy Jane, born about 1829 and married to A. B. Hamilton.



*Nancy Ann Thompson Keith, wife of John Riley Keith, taken around 1910, Meade County, Kansas.*

Soloman Thompson was born 10 August 1807, possibly in Wayne County, Kentucky. He married on 24 November 1831 in Perry County to Jane Malone and died on 09 September 1871 in Perry County and is buried in Nine Mile Baptist Cemetery.

Jane Malone was born about 1812 in Tennessee. She moved with the families of two daughters to Clark County, Kansas where she homesteaded in 1891. Jane died 03 October 1903 in Meade County, Kansas and is buried in Graceland Cemetery.

Solomon and Jane Malone Thompson's children, all born in Illinois, were: Margaret, born about 1827, married to Jesse Deason; James, born about 1838, moved to Kansas with his widowed mother; Edmond, born about 1842, died before 1886; John A., born about 1845, died 22 February 1875; Nancy Ann, born 26 January 1846, died 09 April 1910 in Meade County, Kansas, married to John Riley Keith (see Keith history); Martha Jane, born about 1848, died 27 February 1868 and is buried near her father; Helen A. born 1850, married about 1871 to Jacob Heap and moved to Kansas; and Hester, born about 1853 and married to H.M. Crawford, also went to Kansas.

Nellie Grace Keith, daughter of Nancy Ann Thompson and John Riley Keith, married on 05 December 1900 in Meade County, Kansas to William Albert Martin. Unknown to them, they were sixth cousins, once removed, with the common ancestors being Ralph Cowgill, who was born about 1635 in England and married to Ellen Stackhouse who was born about 1639 in England. Two of their children moved to different parts of the county, lost contact, and their descendants came back together on the prairie of southwest Kansas. *Contributed by Rita Wilburn Ackerman of Phoenix, Arizona.*

## THOMPSON-NORTON

James Thompson and wife, Margaret "Peggy" Norton Thompson, moved to Perry



County, Illinois circa 1828. They were from Wayne and Pulaski counties in Kentucky.

James was born 01 April 1775 in Virginia or South Carolina. He married Margaret "Peggy" Norton 05 December 1804 in Wayne County, Kentucky. Margaret was born 02 May 1784 in North or South Carolina. Her parents were Messor and Martha Higgins Norton.

James and Margaret had ten children. Nine of the children came to Illinois with them from Kentucky. Their tenth child was born in Perry County, Illinois. Their children were: Martha, born 1806 in Kentucky, married Jeremiah Walker 16 September 1828 in Pulaski County, Kentucky. She died April 1860 in Illinois. They had four children: Martha J., Peter, Cassandra and Abraham; Solomon, born 10 August 1807 in Kentucky, married Jane Malone 24 November 1831 in Perry County, Illinois. They had seven children. He died 09 September 1871 in Perry County, Illinois and is buried there in the Nine Mile Baptist Cemetery; Faitha, born 1809 in Pulaski County, Kentucky, married John Hansford 02 September 1828 in Pulaski County, Kentucky. She died in 1858 in Perry County, Illinois and is buried in the Greenbriar Cemetery near Pinckneyville, Illinois. They had five children (see Hansford history); Elizabeth, born in Kentucky, married George Martin 28 April 1828 in Pulaski County, Kentucky, died before 1861 in Perry County, Illinois. They had three children: Doritha, Polly Ann and William R.; Hester, born circa 1813 in Kentucky, married Samuel Branum and, after his death, married Hiram Denny in Perry County, Illinois. She died there 02 May 1860 and is buried in the Greenbriar Cemetery; Jephtha M., born 30 October 1815 in Kentucky, married Mary Gray. He married his second wife, Cynthia Murphy, 03 November 1842 in Perry County, Illinois. Jephtha died 12 October 1863. Jephtha and Cynthia are both buried in the Nine Mile Baptist Cemetery. They had eight children; John Norton, born 1818 in Kentucky, married Harriett Caroline Brown 27 December 1838 in Perry County, Illinois. John Norton died 08 October 1874 in Perry County. They had ten children; Lewis S., born circa 1822 in Kentucky, married Lucinda J. Turner 23 December 1841 in Perry County, Illinois. Lewis died in Paducah, Kentucky on 11 March 1862. They had six children; James Harvey, born in Pulaski County, Kentucky, married Martha "Mattie" Murphy 14 November 1844 in Perry County, Illinois. James died there 23 October 1885. They had four children; Nancy Jane, born 1829 in Perry County, Illinois, married A. B. Hamilton. Nancy died 20 October 1866 and burial was in the Greenbriar Cemetery. They had five children.

James and Margaret joined the Four Mile Baptist Church in 1844. James died 09 March 1861, Margaret died 15 April 1857 in Perry County, Illinois. Both are buried in the Greenbriar Cemetery near Pinckneyville. *Submitted by Rose Mary Malone Delmore.*

## THOMSON-MUMBOWER

Dica Ann Mumbower wed John Mumbower. She died 19 February 1892 at age 66 years, 24 days. He died 27 June 1883. They had a daughter, Flora Ann Mumbower (born 18 March 1862) who married Henry William Thomson (born 05 March 1854) at Flora's parents' home on 06 March 1881. The marriage witnesses were Mr. Mumbower and I. Crow Mumbower. The Methodist preacher was

D. W. Laughler. Flora died 15 October 1926 and Henry died 14 January 1915.

Flora and Henry had the following children: Elmer Andrew Thomson (born 07 December 1882) who wed Grace Frasier 02 April 1914; Charley Clyde Thomson (born 08 January 1885) who wed Martha P. Wescott 20 January 1907. Charley died April 1962; Verda Priscilla Thomson (born 25 September 1887) who wed William Charles Mathews 08 November 1922. Verda died 13 October 1963; Lora May Thomson (born 05 February 1891) who wed John Roy Stull 05 June 1907. Lora died 05 March 1962 and Roy died 05 October 1974; Martha Wilhelmina Thomson (born 18 October 1893) who wed Charles Elbert Biby 14 June 1917-both are deceased.



*Wilma, Lora, Verda, Charley and Elmer Thomson.*

Offspring of John Roy and Lora May Stull were: Lyle Virgil Stull (16 March 1911-01 July 1947) who wed Irma; Warren Thomson Stull (01 March 1913-02 April 1956) who wed Elizabeth Skeen; Max Henry Ing Stull (21 August 1915-October 1995) who wed Ruby "Billie" Williamson of Mt. Vernon, Illinois; Walter William Stull (25 January 1918-01 November 1995) who wed Phyllis Crain 14 October 1947.

The following is from an obituary found in an old family Bible. "Andrew Carl Thomson born near Tamaroa 16 February 1864, youngest son of Alexander and Wilhelmina Thomson his parents, one half-brother James and one half-sister Mrs. Margaret Thyhust, five brothers Fred, Jacob, Henry, Louis, John, and one sister, Mrs. Jacob Bartle, preceded him in death. Remaining are two sisters, Mrs. Charlotte Lizenby of Colorado Springs, Colorado (she traveled west as baby in covered wagon) and Mrs. Minnie Buhr of Granite city, Illinois. He left Perry County at an early age and spent most of his life in different parts of the West."

It is believed that the Thomson family came from Scotland. *Submitted by Phyllis Crain Stull.*

## THORNBURG

The ancestry of the Thornburg family traces back to the time of William the Conqueror and Ivo de Tailleboise the first baron of Kendal of Yorkshire England. Ivo was of Anjouan stock and received land through the grace of William the Conqueror. Over time the family name evolved to Thornborough and later Thornburg.

More recently, Charles of Methop, which is northeast of Cartmel, England, became a follower of Charles Fox, the founder of the Society of Friends (Quakers) during the years 1663 to 1700. During this time of religious persecution members of this family emigrated to Cootehill, Ireland. Robert Thornburg, son of Charles of Methop was given leave to marry in August 1685 Sarah Jackson

from Cootehill, Ireland at the monthly meeting of Friends. Their sons Thomas, Walter and Edward immigrated to America. The will of Edward Thornburgh of Lancaster County, Pennsylvania dated 13 February 1734 named his wife Jean and their eleven children.

Joseph, the tenth child of Edward and Jean, believed born about 1730, married Ann Armfield in Pennsylvania. They joined that great Quaker migration and removed to Guilford, North Carolina. The family is recorded in the records of the New Garden monthly Meeting. In keeping with his Quaker beliefs, Joseph served the American Revolution by selling goods to the troops. Isaac, the youngest son of Joseph and Ann, born in 1773, married Rebecca Hodson at Center Meeting. Isaac and Rebecca were Randolph County, Indiana pioneers, coming to Stony Creek Township in 1831, farming successfully and founding a very large family while accumulating 320 acres of land. Ten of their children are known and their son John, born in 1793, married Susannah Beals, daughter of Daniel Beals and granddaughter of Thomas Beals the great Quaker minister and missionary to the Indians of Ohio and Indiana. Thomas Beals is well documented in Quaker records.

William Armfield Thornburg, the eldest son of John and Susanna, born in 1816 married Maria Clevenger in 1835 and had twelve children. He was bought up a Friend, but has belonged mostly to the Methodists or United Brethren Church. His business was largely farming and operating a mill and a hotel at Windsor in Randolph County, Indiana. They had twelve children; two sons who moved to Bond County, Illinois.

Thomas Wesley Thornburg, the eldest son of William and Maria, born in 1836 married Rachael Chalfant, daughter of Jesse Chalfant and Elizabeth Winders. Thomas served in the Civil War as an artificer with Company F of the Indiana Heavy Artillery. After the war was over he became a minister in the Free Will Methodist Church. He and his wife are buried in Evansville, Indiana.

The son of Thomas and Rachael was William Henson Thornburg, born in 1858 and who married Elizabeth Ellen Gilliland of Mulberry Grove, Bond County, Illinois. Her great-grandfather was William Gilliland, of Adams County, Pennsylvania, who served in the American Revolution as a Lieutenant Colonel in the Pennsylvania Militia.

William and Elizabeth were the parents of three children: Carl Clifton, Jenny and Penelope. Carl Clifton was born near Litchfield, Illinois in 1881. He married in East St. Louis, Illinois, in 1910, Viva Lillian McFarland, daughter of George Ellington and Eliza Smith McFarland of Washington County, Illinois. Eliza soon died and George married her younger sister, Rachel Isabell Smith. They lived in Pinckneyville, Illinois and East St. Louis, Illinois. George was the son of James Evans and Candace Catherine (Criscillis) McFarland of Clinton County, Kentucky. Candace's great grandfather was Otto Rudolph Crecelius who served in the American Revolution.

Carl Clifton and Lillian Thornburg resided in East St. Louis, Illinois where he was employed by the American steel Foundry as an insurance claims adjuster. He was active in the Lions Club and became a 33rd Degree in the Masonic Lodge. To this marriage was born four children: William



McFarland Thornburg of Du Quoin, Illinois; Virginia Ione; Inez Elizabeth, and Isabelle Elizabeth.

## THORNBURG, DR. WILLIAM MC FARLAND

William McFarland Thornburg was born in East St. Louis, Illinois on 09 September 1911, to Carl Clifton and viva Lillian (McFarland) Thornburg. His younger sisters were Virginia, Inez and Isabell. Inez died of burns she received while playing with matches in 1921. The three children were raised and educated in East St. Louis, Illinois. They often tell the story of Charles Lindberg flying the Spirit of St. Louis over their house while they watched from the rooftop. In 1929 Bill graduated from East St. Louis High School and in 1938 received a Doctor of Medicine Degree from St. Louis University.



*Dr. William McFarland Thornburg—1961.*

A commissioned officer upon graduation, he spent five years in the United States Army-Air Force. Dr. Thornburg served at Selfridge Field, Mt. Clemens, Michigan, Scott field in Illinois, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii and joined the 24th Infantry Division which was sent to Australia. He was with the 7th Amphibious Force at Milne Bay, New Guinea in preparation for the assault on the Phillipines. He was assigned to Berry field in Nashville, Tennessee. He was sent to the San Antonio, Texas, School of Aviation Medicine, from which he graduated as flight surgeon. He was honorably discharged as Captain.

Dr. Thornburg was married on 06 February 1939, in Wentzville, Missouri to Louise Eline Kurrus, the daughter of Frank J. and Eline Louise Frederica (Behrendsen) Kurrus. She was the granddaughter of Joseph A. Kurrus of East St. Louis, Illinois. Their children were: Mary Kurrus, born 1940, Robert William, born 1941, Linda Louise, born 1945 and William Andrew, born 1947. Thornburg entered practice in Du Quoin, Illinois in 1939, in association with Dr. George H. Gutridge. Robert William Thornburg died in 1944 and is buried at Sunset Memorial Cemetery.

Drs. Thornburg and Gutridge formed the Du Quoin Medical Group and were joined in the early 1950s by Dr. Richard Matlavish. During his fifty years of practicing medicine he served on the staff of Marshall Browning Hospital. He is a lifetime member of the Illinois Medical Society, the American Medical Association, and is a charter and lifetime member of the American Academy of Family Practice, was a member of the Perry County Medical Society, the Masonic Order with a 32nd Degree in Scottish Rite, and the B.P.O.E. He served on the school board for two terms. In 1983 he received the Distinguished Citizens Award

given by the Du Quoin Business Association. He was on the Board of Directors for the Du Quoin National Bank from 1973-1991.

In 1958 Dr. Thornburg married Nina Jewell Brown Wilson in Apple Valley, California. Nina was the widow of Lewis Wilson of Du Quoin, Illinois and to that marriage were born two sons, Ronald Richard Wilson, born 1945 and William Russell Wilson, born 1947. Nina passed away on 23 December 1991. The Thornburgs were active in the First United Presbyterian Church, the Perry County Golf Club and enjoyed the company of family and friends. Dr. Thornburg is an avid sports enthusiast.

## THORNTON-MANDA

Augusta Schultz, daughter of Harmon and Eunice Schultz, was born in Okawville, 18 August 1870 and died 01 May 1946. In 1890, Augusta married Philip Manda. They had three children, two who died in infancy. Daughter Stella survived and married Ferd Thornton, who was the son of William C. and Louisa Biggs Thornton of Ava, Illinois. William C. Thornton was the great-great-nephew of James K. Polk, President of the United States in the early 1800s. Ferd was born 22 March 1890 and died 18 December 1969. Ferd worked for many years in the underground mines and was part of the crew that originally opened the Pyramid mine south of Pinckneyville. Ferd Thornton lost a family member in the Murphysboro tornado. Ferd had three sisters, Clara Kruger, Della Thornton and Bertha McClary, and four brothers, William, Luther, Offie and Bert. Seven children were born to Ferd and Stella. Stella died leaving her mother and husband Ferd to raise the children. The children of Ferd and Stella were Edna, who married Lawrence Harriss; Geraldine, who married Milton McDonnough; Augusta, who married Wilfred Thomas; Elsie, who married Walter Blair; Mabel, who married Jim Livingston; Ardell Thornton, who married Lois; and Herschel Thornton who was killed in action in Germany during World War II, 15 April 1945; also a twin to Herschel named Berthel, died in infancy. Ferd married Lottie Hill on 11 April 1936. To this union was born one daughter, Deanna.



*Augusta Thomas, Geraldine McDonnough, Elsie Blair, F.A. Thornton, and Edna Harriss.*

To Edna and husband, Lawrence Harriss, was born three children, two daughters, Rose and Nancy, and one son, Donald. Geraldine and husband Milton McDonnough had a son, Ronald, who died in infancy, a daughter, Caroline, a daughter, Margaret, who died in infancy, and a son, Herschel.

Augusta and husband, Wilfred Thomas, have two daughters, Nadine and Kay, and one son, Roger.

Elsie and husband, Walter Blair, had two daughters, Marsha and Ann. Ann died in September 1962, along with her daughter Terri, in an automobile accident near Pinckneyville. Ann's son, Jeffrey, was not with his mother and was legally adopted and became the son of Walter and Elsie Blair. To Ardell and wife, Lois, was born two sons, Richard, who died in 1970, and Gary, and also a daughter Sherri. Mabel was married to Jim Livingston. Deanna and husband, Robert Anderson, have two children, Todd and Cheryl.

At the present time, still surviving are Augusta Thomas who lives in Pinckneyville, Elsie Blair, also living in Pinckneyville, Geraldine McDonnough who lives in Washington, Illinois, Ardell Thornton who lives with his wife Lois in Herrin, Illinois, and Deanna and husband Robert of Washington, Illinois.

## TIMPNER, KAREN LEE

Karen Lee Timpner is the daughter of Ralph Edward and Helen Rae (Mohr) Timpner, and the sister of Cheryl Rae (Timpner) Barker, married to Richard Paul Barker, and Rhonda Gail Timpner. Karen was born in the Pinckneyville Community Hospital on 09 June 1979.

Karen was a member of the Farmer and Farmerettes 4-H Club (former Pyatt Farmerettes) from 1987-1997. She was very active in 4-H and received many awards, the National 4-H Congress Trip award. She attended this trip in the fall of 1996 at Memphis, Tennessee.

On 08 July 1979, Karen was baptized at St. Paul United Church of Christ and was confirmed there in 1993. Before college she was very active in many church activities including Youth Fellowship, youth and Chancel choir, softball (scorekeeper), and she played the piano and organ on occasion.

Karen has always been musical. She began playing the piano when she was four, taking lessons from her grandmother, Margaret Cahterine (Schickedanz) Timpner. When Margaret passed away, Karen continued lessons with Jane Fontana, who also taught her organ lessons. In fifth grade Karen joined the school band and learned how to play the oboe. During her seven years of band Karen also played the keyboard (bass), piano, and bells. She participated in the concert band, marching band, pep band, pit band, jazz band, and many organizational bands.

Singing has also been an important part of her life. Throughout school she participated in many organizational contests where she received many high awards. In high school she tried out for and made the IMEA District Chorus two years in a row. Her senior year she attended not only the IMEA District Chorus, but also the top chorus in the state, the MENC North Central Choir. She took voice lessons from Mara Rice for a year before entering college.

Karen attended the Pinckneyville District grade school and junior high. She graduated from eighth grade in 1993. She was very active in high school participating in many different clubs including the Math Club, Spanish Club, Music Makers, Drama Club and Art Club. At the end of her junior year she was inducted into the National Honors society. She graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1997. Currently she attends Southern Illinois University at Carbondale where she is an honor student and majors in Information Systems Technologies. She plans to



graduate in 2001 with a bachelor of science degree. (See Timpner-Mohr history.) *Submitted by Karen Timpner.*

## TIMPNER, RHONDA GAIL

Rhonda Gail Timpner was born on 05 March 1976 in Pinckneyville, Illinois to Ralph and Helen (Mohr) Timpner. She has one older sister, Cheryl Timpner Barker, and one younger sister, Karen Timpner. Rhonda attended Pinckneyville grade and Junior High schools. She graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in May of 1994 as class valedictorian. She is a May 1998 graduate from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale with a Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Development specializing in Child and Family Services. She received highest honors in the Department of Curriculum and Instruction and was chosen as one of "Southern Illinois University's 25 Most Distinguished Seniors". Her organizational involvement in college included Gamma Beta Phi honor and service society and Phi Kappa Phi honor society. While in school she was a peer counselor in the financial aid office.

Rhonda was baptized as an infant and confirmed in 1990 from St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville. She participated in such activities as choir, Sunday school, and Young Adults. In high school, she was active in band, National Honor Society, and many other clubs. She was an eleven-year member of the Pyatt Farmerettes 4-H club and active in the county 4-H Federation. While in 4-H, she received county, state, and national recognition for her involvement.

Currently, Rhonda plans to live and work in the Peoria area. She is a member of the Southern Illinois University Alumni Association and hopes to become involved in groups helping children and youth. (See Timpner-Mohr history.) *Submitted by Rhonda Timpner.*

## TIMPNER, SUSAN MARIE

Marshall Browning Hospital was the birthplace of Susan Marie Timpner on 13 December 1945. She is the third child of Edward C. and Margaret Timpner of Pinckneyville.



*David Wassung, Susan (Timpner) Wassung, Brett Carnito, and Danielle Carnito-Christmas 1997.*

Susan attended Ozburn, Bigham, Pinckneyville Junior High School, and she graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1963. Following high school she attended Southern Illinois University.

Active in 4-H and a member of the Pyatt Farmerettes, Susan held many offices including president of the Perry County 4-H Federation. One of her many awards was a trip to National Club congress in Chicago, Illinois. Susan attended and

was confirmed in St. Paul Evangelical and Reformed Church now called St. Paul United Church of Christ.

After attending Southern Illinois University, she worked for the ALPEG Veterinary Hospital and also Pinckneyville Community High School.

In 1967 she married Larry Carnito who was a member of the United States Air Force. They were stationed at Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma City, Iraklion Air Station on Crete, Greece, KI Sawyer Air Force Base in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, Malmstrom Air Force Base in Great Falls, Montana and Offutt Air Force Base in Omaha, Nebraska. Their first child, Brett Lawrence, was born at KI Sawyer Air Force Base, Michigan on 05 April 1973 and their daughter, Danielle Sue, was born in Great Falls, Montana on 23 July 1975. Brett graduated from Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois (1995) in Computer Science and is employed by DMR as a computer programmer. Danielle graduated from Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa (1997) with a Fine Arts degree in Graphic Design, and is employed by Bozell Worldwide as an art director.

Larry and Susan were divorced in 1987, and in 1991 Susan married David Wassung; they reside in Hawaiian Village, Papillion, Nebraska. David is originally from Lincoln, Nebraska, and is employed as a field service manager for Digital Equipment Corporation. Susan is an administrative assistant for E & A Consulting Group, a civil engineering/land surveying firm in Omaha, Nebraska.

## TIMPNER-HIETANEN

William Van Voorhis Timpner is the third offspring of William E. Timpner and Helen D. Van Voorhis. Born 23 July 1961 in Pinckneyville, Illinois he graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1979 and later, in 1983 graduated from Southern Illinois University of Carbondale with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Agriculture. Billy Van, as affectionately known in the community, is now the proprietor of the family farm, which is a Centennial Farm. The land he now owns was originally purchased by his great-great-grandfather, C. F. William Timpner, in the year 1867. He purchased this land after his marriage to Nancy J. Hietanen Lichliter from his father, William E. Timpner, in 1996. Bill has a livestock operation and raises grain crops. He and Nancy were married on the farmhouse lawn 10 August 1991. Bill has a passion for the mechanical era, with a collection of antique telephones and toy trains, as well as banks and other toy tractors and odds and ends. Bill currently serves on the Perry County Soil and Water Conservation District Board, as a Director. Bill likes to "unwind" with an occasional softball game. He can be found at the ballpark every once in a while. He and Nancy are also occasionally found playing a game of volleyball.

Nancy was a resident of Vergennes, Illinois for nine years. She and Bill met after her first husband, Garry E. Lichliter passed away at the age of thirty-two. Nancy Jean Hietanen came to this area through competition water skiing; she was a member of the Little Egypt Ski Club of Du Quoin. Nancy was a resident of Centralia, Illinois prior to that. She is a 1977 graduate of Centralia High School. She is the first of two offspring of Richard V. Hietanen and Janet M. Palmiter

formerly of Ashtabula, Ohio, born 17 September 1959 in Norfolk, Virginia. Nancy presently manages the household and cares for their two children. She continues to stay very busy with interests in sewing, gardening and crafts of all kinds. Antique furniture restoration is another of her hobbies. They are both members of St. Paul United Church of Christ of Pinckneyville.



*William V., Nancy (Hietanen), Mallory and Will Timpner.*

Of their children, Mallory Elizabeth Timpner was the first. She was born 20 July 1993 in Carbondale, Illinois. The second child was William Vaino Timpner, born 07 May 1995, also in Carbondale, Illinois.

## TIMPNER-MOHR

Ralph Edward and Helen Rae Mohr Timpner and family have lived on their farm south of Pinckneyville since 1972. They are still active members of St. Paul United Church of Christ. Ralph is past president of the Perry County Farm Bureau, county Soil and Water Board and Shawnee Resource Conservation and Development Board. He serves on the property sub-committee for DuBois Center (United Church of Christ) and the nominating committee for the Illinois South Conference (United Church of Christ). Ralph is also instrumental in forming a company to obtain a rural water district for the area south of Pinckneyville.



*The Ralph Timpner Family—Karen, Helen Rae, Cheryl (Timpner) Barker, Ralph, and Rhonda.*

Helen Rae led the Pyatt Farmerettes 4-H Club, which was renamed Farmers and Farmerettes in 1995, until the club disbanded in August 1997. She was active in the Pinckneyville Band Parents and served as Secretary for several years until 1997, when their youngest daughter graduated from high school. She still sews, quilts and takes part in the farm operations.

Their oldest daughter, Cheryl Rae, graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1992 and graduated from Millikin University, Decatur in 1997 with a Bachelor of Arts in Music



Business. She is a member of Alpha Phi Omega Service Fraternity and Sigma Alpha Iota Music Fraternity. She married Richard Paul Barker, of Pinckneyville, on 30 August 1997 at St. Paul United Church of Christ. He is enlisted in the United States Air Force and is stationed at Grand Forks, Air Force Base, North Dakota.

Second daughter, Rhonda Gail, graduated from Pinckneyville High School as class Valedictorian in 1994. She also graduated from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale in 1998, and was chosen as one of the 25 Most Distinguished Seniors of 1998. She is a member of Phi Kappa Phi and Gamma Beta Phi Honor Societies, and has a Bachelor of Science in Education.

Youngest daughter, Karen Lee, is a 1997 graduate of Pinckneyville High School and is currently attending Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. (See Timpner-Mohr history in Volume I; see Barker-Timpner history.) *Submitted by Helen Rae Mohr Timpner*

## TIMPNER-SCHICKEDANZ

On 09 August 1912 Edward Charles Timpner, son of Edward Timpner and Magdalena Elizabeth Bahre, was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois. He was married to Margaret Catherine Schickedanz, daughter of Conrad Schickedanz and Mary Keim, on 09 April 1938. She was born on 25 October 1914 in Du Quoin, Illinois and passed away 07 January 1991 with interment in the Galum Presbyterian Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*Edward C. and Margaret Schickedanz Timpner.*

This marriage was blessed with four children, all born in Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Gary Lee Timpner was born 16 March 1940. Marcella Rae, Mrs. James Sharp of Brookfield, Connecticut, was born 11 December 1941. Susan Marie, Mrs. David Wassung of Papillon, Nebraska, was born 13 December 1945. Ralph Edward Timpner was born 27 March 1948. Edward, now retired, lives in rural Pinckneyville and has 11 grand children and 10 great-grand children. *Submitted by Edward C. Timpner*

## TIMPNER-VAN VOORHIS

A family history of William "Bill" Edward Adolph Timpner and Helen Dorothy Van Voorhis Timpner is on page 341 of Volume I of the History of Perry County (1988). Our children include Mrs. Donna (David) Vuichard, Mrs. Tracey (Tim) Laird, and William Van Voorhis Timpner.

Our grandchildren are Michelle Lynn Vuichard, Tiffany Lee Vuichard, Shelby Paige Laird, Travis Timpner Laird, Mallory Elizabeth Timpner and William Vaino Timpner.

Bill retired from Consolidated Coal Company in 1993 after 42 years of service. In 1995-96 they built a home across the road from the Timpner homestead where they had lived since they married in 1954. Bill Jr. and his wife, Nancy, and their children now live at the Timpner farm.



*William E. and Helen D. Timpner.*

Bill Sr. continues his work with the Perry County Historical Society and Museum Committee. *Submitted by William E. Timpner.*

## TIMPNER-WILDERMUTH

Gary Lee Timpner was born 16 March 1940, the oldest child of Edward C. and the late Margaret C. Schickedanz Timpner in Du Quoin, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were Edward and Elizabeth Bahre Timpner. Maternal grandparents were Conrad and Mary Keim Schickedanz.

Irma Joan Wildermuth was born 09 November 1943, the second child of the late Edward J. and Eva Marie Heisner Wildermuth. Maternal grandparents were Charles and Minnie Loos Heisner. Paternal grandparents were Henry and Rosa Schwarz Wildermuth.

Gary served in the Army Signal Corps from 28 April 1959 to 27 January 1961. They were married on 04 May 1964 at St. Paul United Church of Christ (Evangelical and reformed) in Pinckneyville and reside in rural Pinckneyville on part of the original farm bought by Gary's great-grandfather, C. F. William Timpner, in 1868; it is a Centennial farm.

They have three children. Cynthia Joan, born 01 October 1964, married James Brette Dorris, born on 17 October 1963, on 12 March 1988 at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville. They both received MBA degrees from Eastern Illinois University in 1987. They now reside in Glen Carbon, Illinois with their two children: Lauren Catherine, born 10 July 1992 and Colin Lee, born 07 August 1995.

Leanna Sue, born 05 September 1967, married Jerome Edward Kellerman, born 06 August 1964. She graduated from Deaconess College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. Jerome graduated from the University of Illinois in Agricultural Engineering. They were married on 15 August 1988 at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville and reside in Troy, Illinois with their two children: Nicholas Edward, born 02 January 1995 and Eric Lee, born 21 April 1997.

Sharon Lynn, born 15 September 1970, married James Roy Carani, born 29 September 1967, at St. Paul United Church of Christ in Pinckneyville on 20 May 1995. She graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Psychology and from the University of Illinois with a MSW in Social Work.

Jim graduated from Eastern Illinois University with a degree in Sociology. They reside in DeKalb, Illinois.

Gary and Irma have been active in many organizations. Gary served on the Pinckneyville Hospital Board of Directors for fifteen years, 1979-1994, including three terms as chairman of the Board. He served eighteen years on the Perry County Farm Bureau Board, and is again on the Board. He has been on the Twin County Service Company Board for seventeen years. He has served as secretary and is now treasurer. He is now on his third term on the Consistory of St. Paul United Church of Christ serving presently as president of the congregation. He has been Sunday School Superintendent, 4-H leader, Extension Council member, IAA marketing committee member, president of the Pyramid Pork Producers and in 1986 was elected to serve Perry, Randolph, Jackson, Washington and Jefferson counties on the Land of Lincoln Soybean Association. His greatest honor was being named a "Master Farmer" by *Prairie Farmer Magazine* in 1993.

Irma has served as president and is currently vice-president of the Women's Guild of St. Paul United Church of Christ and served eight years on the Board of Christian Education. She was dining room chairman for six years and church secretary for four years. Irma is a past member of the Homemakers Extension, Pyramid Pork Producers, and St. Paul's Choir. Gary and Irma served as leaders of the Youth Fellowship of St. Paul's for eight years.

## TORRENS-ANDERSON

Maxine was born 26 March 1910 south of Pinckneyville, the youngest of seven children, to Pringle Anderson (1860-1937) and Ella Kimzey Anderson (1867-1952). She is the granddaughter of William B. Kimzey and Elizabeth Rule Kimzey, and Francis Anderson and Elizabeth Graham Anderson. Her father was a schoolteacher and rural mail carrier. Her great-grandfather, Robinson Kimzey, was killed while hauling logs to build the original Galum Presbyterian Church. His wife, Jane Brown, was a charter member of the Galum Church.

Thomas Torrens was born near Oakdale, Illinois in Washington County 10 February 1911. He was one of seven children, a son of Calvin Todd Torrens and Martha Violet Kimzey Torrens. His grandfather and great grandfather Torrens both came to the United States from Donegal County, Northern Ireland. They migrated through the Cumberland Gap, down the Ohio River, up the Mississippi and over to Washington County.

Maxine and Tommy were married 30 July 1931. They have lived most of their lives in Perry County where they both taught school. Maxine is a member of several organizations, including missionary society, Home Extension and the local Republican Organization.

The Torrens are proud to have developed one of the outstanding herds of Registered Hereford cattle and Duroc hogs in Southern Illinois. In addition to farming, Tommy coached many basketball, softball and track teams while teaching in several Perry County schools. He served as both Elder and Deacon of the Presbyterian Church. He served two terms as County Commissioner, was on the board of the Egyptian Electric Cooperation, and the Farm Bureau. In the 1930s



he worked for the United States Department of Agriculture. They both led 4-H clubs for many years.

The Torrens are parents of Frances Virginia, born 21 November 1933 and Norman Thomas, born 17 April 1937. Frances married Russell Kiehna on 12 September 1952. They had two daughters, Patricia "Pat" born 20 September 1955 and Sandra "Sandy" born 30 December 1957. Frances was manager of an insurance office until her retirement in 1995. Russell worked at the MCA manufacturing plant east of Pinckneyville. He died of a heart attack 23 April 1987. Pat graduated from McKendree College in Lebanon, Illinois. On 10 September 1977 she married Brad Flinders, a member of the United States Air Force. They have Kyle Matthew, born 02 May 1982 and Kacie Lynn, born 04 June 1985. Pat died 16 December 1990 following a seven-month struggle with Leukemia. Sandy graduated with her Masters Degree from Southern Illinois University at Carbondale. She is Substance Abuse Program manager at the Big Muddy River Correctional Center in Ina, Illinois. Frances remarried on 01 August 1990 to Preston Carson of Oakdale, Illinois who is retired from farming.

Norman married Kay Riffey of Girard, Illinois on 25 June 1960. They both worked for the United States Department of Agriculture. They retired in 1992 and moved to Glen Carbon, Illinois. Norman is doing volunteer work at Maryville Hospital and they enjoy camping. They have two children, Carol Elaine, born 23 January 1964, and David Neal, born 03 October 1966. Carol graduated from Rutgers University in New Jersey. She is a Reference Librarian at Salem Public Library, Salem, Oregon. David graduated from James Madison University in Virginia. He is Assistant Superintendent of Scovill Golf Course in Decatur, Illinois.

## TREFTS-PURSELL

Ivan Arthur Trefts was born 02 September 1914 in Conant, Perry County, Illinois, third son of Gabriel A. and Eva Crain Trefts. His paternal grandparents were William Franklin Trefftz (04 March 1842 Gallipolis, Ohio-27 October 1921 Perry County, Illinois) and Louise Elizabeth Black Trefftz (16 April 1843 Perry County, Missouri-19 November 1918 Randolph County, Illinois). His maternal grandparents were Samuel Crain and Louisa Henson Crain. He grew up and attended school in Du Quoin. He served two years as Petty Officer First Class in the Navy. He was stationed for some time in the Asiatic Pacific. He currently lives in Affton, Missouri where he has lived most of his life.

In Anna, 22 June 1935, Ivan married Elizabeth Pursell, daughter of Perry and Lena Birkner Pursell. Elizabeth was born 05 October 1914 in Pinckneyville. Elizabeth attended Pinckneyville Community High School class of 1932. Elizabeth died in her home in Affton, Missouri 14 October 1996. Ivan worked for Lance Brothers Bakery and Henrici's Restaurant before opening his own business, Trefts Bake Shop in 1964. Elizabeth also worked in the bakery and did bookkeeping. In 1977 Ivan and Elizabeth retired from the bakery and moved to Du Quoin. From 1977 until 1980 they owned a home in Du Quoin and enjoyed retirement among many old friends and family. After 1980 the couple returned to Affton, Missouri to be closer to their two sons and six grandchildren.

Their first child, Ronald Ivan Trefts, was born 13 May 1937 in St. Louis, Missouri. Ronald married Grace Fontanna 16 June 1956 in Lemay, Missouri. Ronald worked for 13 years with Ivan and Elizabeth at Trefts Bake Shop. Ronald and Grace have two daughters. Laura Trefts was born 03 December 1958 and Kathy Trefts was born 09 July 1961.



*Ivan and Elizabeth Trefts-23 June 1935.*

The Campbell Company ran a television commercial in the late 1960s that depicted a large family gathering in an old fashioned country dining room. All of the dinner guests were consuming Campbell's Home Style Pork and Beans. As each person relished a bit of pork and beans he would call out the name of a small town. One of the towns mentioned was Pinckneyville, Illinois. Laura and Kathy were delighted with this commercial. They had known no one who had ever heard of Pinckneyville, Illinois before. But now Pinckneyville was on television. On their next trip to Pinckneyville, they were hilariously surprised to see the Campbells sign at the west entrance to town. They posed while their father captured this memory for them.

Their second son, Roger Pursell Trefts, was born 30 September 1942 in St. Louis, Missouri. Roger married Susan Warner 05 August 1967. Roger and Susan had four children. Roger Jr. was born 16 November 1969, Kimberlee was born 31 March 1971, Steven A. was born 16 January 1973, and Scott A. was born 19 June 1974.

## TREFTS-YARBROUGH

Gabriel Arthur Trefts (Trefftz) was born in Conant, Illinois on 01 February 1867. He was the son of William Franklin Trefftz and Louisa Elizabeth Black. Gabriel's grandparents were Gabriel Trefftz and Mary Federer, both were born in Wurttemberg, Germany. Gabriel married Eva Crain of Vergennes, Illinois. They had four sons: Byron, Sam (author's father), Ivan and Warren. Of the four brothers, only Ivan survives.



*Gabriel Arthur Trefts circa 1897.*

Sam was born in Conant, Illinois on 06 August 1911. After his father died on 24 May 1927, Sam had to give up his schooling to find work and help in the support of his mother and three brothers.

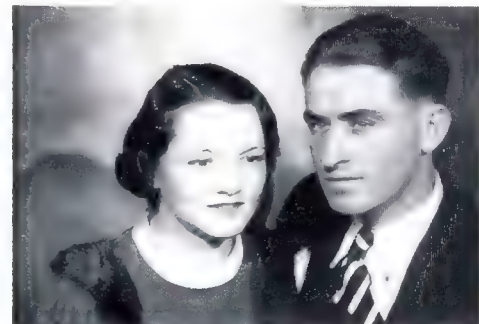


*Flora (Yarbrough) Trefts, Sam Trefts, Carol (Trefts) Barger, and Bob Barger.*

The family soon moved to Du Quoin where Sam worked at various odd jobs and also drove a taxi. When in his twenties, he moved to St. Louis, Missouri. He worked at Lantz Brothers Bakery where he met and married Flora Yarbrough of St. Louis, Missouri. They were wed on 08 July 1931. He then went to work at the J.C. Penney Company warehouse. On 25 January 1938 their daughter, Carol, was born. She is their only child. Sam became involved in working with the Teamsters Union as a Labor Organizer. In 1955 he and his family moved to Marion, Illinois where he was given the job of Secretary-Treasurer of Teamsters Local #347. He worked there until his retirement in 1973. He died on 26 September 1991.

## TRIGG-KELLEY

Bringing up to date the children and grand and great grandchildren of William N. Trigg (21 February 1910-07 December 1973) and Violet Kelley Trigg (born 12 December 1914). William and Violet were married 29 November 1933.



*William N. and Violet A. Kelley Trigg-1934 in Metropolis, Illinois.*

Carolyn Sue (nee Trigg) McCabe was born 24 September 1938 in Chester, Illinois and married Milton McCabe 20 April 1957. To this union was born one daughter, April Dawn McCabe, on 17 December 1959 in Columbus, Georgia. April married Tony Cleer on 27 June 1981 in Havana, Illinois. To this union was born one daughter, Sarah Elizabeth Cleer, on 20 May 1989 in Manhattan, Kansas. April is a Home Health care nurse for part of Mason County and Fulton County, Illinois.

William Michael Filipsic, son of Barbara Lynn (nee Trigg) and Robert J. Filipsic was born 02 April 1970. He attended District 204 grade



school in Perry County, Illinois, before moving with his parents to Emery, Utah where Robert J. Filipsic worked for Consolidated Coal Company in Ferran, Utah. A few years later the Filipsics moved to Greenville, South Carolina where Robert and Barbara work at Bob Jones University. William B. Filipsic enlisted in the United States Navy and trained in the submarine division at Great Lakes Naval Training station. He graduated with honors in September 1991. FR William Michael Filipsic received the United Service Organization Award. After graduation he served some time at a naval station in Connecticut and then was transferred to a naval station in Naples, Italy.

Amy Kristen, the second child of Barbara and Bob, was born 24 March 1974 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She married Jon Sundstrom II (born 02 January 1970) on 13 October 1992 in Emery, Utah. Three children have been born to this union. De Anna Lynn was born 11 June 1993. She was killed when she fell from a moving car on 09 August 1996 in Utah. Justin Robert was born 27 June 1995 and Ariel Brenna was born 11 December 1997.

Jessica Lynn Filipsic is the third child of Barbara and Bob. She was born 06 November 1978 and is still in school at Bob Jones University in Greenville, South Carolina (see Trigg-Kelley history in Volume I). *Submitted by Violet Kelley Trigg.*

## TROESTER, FREDERICK

Johann Fredrick Troester, a smith from Saxony (Duchy of Gotha), his wife, Elizabeth (Kauth), and children, Albert, Louisa, Christiana, Fred, George and Pauline sailed from Bremen through New Orleans to St. Louis in 1848. George and Fred were twins. Pauline died on the voyage and was buried at sea in a keg of sand. They lived in St. Louis about five years where Albert learned blacksmithing. Two boys, Ben and Lewis, were born in St. Louis.



*Frederick Troester with sons, Ben and Lewis circa 1870.*

The family moved to Perry County, near Tamaroa, on Little Beaucoup Creek, about 1853. Albert, George and Fred served in the Civil War. Albert served in Company E, 10th Regiment of the Missouri Volunteer Infantry. Fred served in Company K, 142nd Illinois Volunteer Infantry. George enlisted in Company F, 13th Illinois Volunteer Cavalry.

Albert, born in 1832, married Teresia Schmidt 10 December 1856 in St. Louis, Missouri. They lived on the Oakdale-Du Bois Road in Washington County, Illinois at one time. He and his family homesteaded near Parsons, Kansas about 1872. His children were Wilhelmina, born in 1858, Frank, born in 1861, Frederick J., born in 1865,

Albert Laurentium, born in 1871, Elizabeth, born about 1872, and Julia Ann, born about 1878.

Louisa, born in 1836, married Henry Mulhausen. The 1870 census shows Henry was born in Prussia, was a butcher and living in Pinckneyville with his family. The family consisted of Louisa, his wife, and three children, Theresa, born about 1861 who later married William S. Wagner; Ernest, born about 1867; and Hulda, born about 1871, who later married Charles Esperson. Louisa is buried in the City Cemetery. Probably some of the descendants of this family still live in the area.

The passenger list when the Troesters came to America showed a Christiana, however, she is a bit of a mystery. A Johann Greislich is named in Elizabeth Troester's will. The administration papers after the deaths of Elizabeth and Frederick list a Christiana Klasty. A marriage record in St. Clair County shows a Julianne Troester married a George Kreislich in 1857. Albert named one of his children Julia Ann. Could Christiana, Johanna and Julianne be the same person. Perhaps we will know someday.

Frederick J. Truster, born in 1845, (he used this spelling), married Sarah J. Morgan in Vienna, Illinois on 17 March 1867. They lived near his parents for several years and moved to Pittsburg, Kansas around 1881. They had the following children: George born about 1870, Emma born about 1872, William born 25 August 1877, Lula born 21 May 1880, Carrie May born 30 November 1882, Joseph born 19 July 1888, and Mildred born 28 October 1891.

George, born in 1845, married Catherine Jenkel 08 December 1866. They had one child, Marietta born in November 1868. George died 26 April 1869. His widow and child later moved to Atchinson, Kansas.

Ben (Bernhardt), born in 1849, married Delilah Hutchings 03 October 1875 in Perry County. Delilah's parents were Eli Hutchings and Manerva (Lindsey) Hutchings. Delilah's paternal grandparents, John Randolph and Delilah Jones Hutchings were early settlers in Perry County. The maternal grandparents were Samuel and Margaret Lindsey. Ben, and his younger brother, Lewis, moved around quite a bit and at one time lived in Chicago where Ben worked for McCormick. Ben and his family moved to Pulaski, Illinois about 1897. The following children were born in Tamaroa: Jenny Ann born about 1877, Henry born 08 July 1879, Frank born 23 October 1881, Louise born 13 March 1884, Nettie Carrie born 09 December 1886, Ollie Elmer born 12 November 1889, and Lindsey born 07 August 1895.

Lewis, born about 1852, married Catherine E. Atherton on 29 October 1873. Lewis and his wife lived in Perry County several years. They also lived in Chicago, Illinois, in Tanny County, Missouri, and Pulaski County, Illinois. They had the following children: Cora born in September 1873, Flora born about 1877, Edward born about 1879, Elnora born March 1882, Carl born September 1886, and Nettie born August 1894.

Frederick and Elizabeth had died by 1890 when Louisa handled the administration of the estate papers and the farm was sold. Today the families are scattered in Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Texas, California and many other states.

## VALENTIN-SCHMALRIEDE

Sophia H. Schmalriede, born 23 October 1893 at Pinckneyville, the second daughter of Christian T. and Katherine E. Laufer Schmalriede, was married 18 March 1914 at Pinckneyville to Edward Robert Valentin, born 20 September 1890 in Perry County, son of George and Caroline Timpner Valentin (see Laufer-Valentin history). Edward Valentin was confirmed in 1905 and Sophie Henriette was baptized 27 May 1894 and confirmed in 1911 at St. Paul Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville. Edward and Sophie had two children: Arthur Allen and Henry Wilbert George. Sophia H. died 27 October 1946 at Du Quoin and Edward died 25 June 1972 at Monmouth, Illinois. Both are buried in Oak Grove Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois (see Schmalriede-Laufer history).

Arthur, born 20 September 1915 at Pinckneyville, baptized 09 April 1916, was married 14 April 1945 at Pinckneyville to Mary Lucille Queen, born 28 June 1927 at Du Quoin, daughter of Charles J. and Pearl V. Burbes Queen. Arthur and Mary had five children: Mary Lou, Leroy Allen, Violet Annette (born 04 October 1958), Edward Charles (born 17 April 1960), and William Dale (born 04 February 1971).

Mary, born 14 February 1947 at Monmouth, was married 02 September 1966 at Monmouth to Franklin Miller Livingston, born 17 July 1946 in Washington, son of John and Roselle Hathaway Livingston. They have two children: Mary Elizabeth, born 29 June 1968 and Franklin Miller Jr., born 09 September 1969, both at Camp Pendleton, California.

Leroy, born 16 March 1953 at Monmouth, was married 14 April 1972 at Monmouth to Carol Lynn Landrith, born 15 November 1952 at Galesburg, Illinois, daughter of John and Neva Jo Naugle Landrith. They have one child, Brian Lee, born 27 August 1976 at Monmouth.

H. Wilbert George was born 02 January 1918, baptized 05 May 1918 and confirmed in 1934 at St. Paul Evangelical Church at Pinckneyville, Illinois. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## VALIER-ARMSTRONG

Stanley F. Valier, born 22 September 1933 at the home of his parents in the Paradise community, is the second child of Floyd Albert (born 11 December 1902; died 1953) and Mary Ellen Marlow Valier (born 21 November 1905) of Du Quoin, Illinois. Paternal grandparents were William Henry (1877-1931) and Lillie Allen Valier (1878-1957). Maternal grandparents were Clarence Edgar (1875-1965) and A. Belle Wilks Marlow (1876-1957).

Stan's forefathers settled in Franklin County in what is now Valier, Illinois; the town taking the name of the Valier family. They then moved west into Perry County to the rural area known as Paradise Prairie where Stan and Barb presently live.

Barbara Lucille (Armstrong) Valier, born 26 December 1936 in Pinckneyville, is the second child of Isaac Luther (1904-1997) and Elva Pearl Ridgon Armstrong (1907-1980) of the Pinckneyville area. Paternal grandparents were William W. (1869-1953) and Cora Ellen Bigham Armstrong (1870-1943). Maternal grandparents were John William Ridgon (1879-1937) and Mary Etta Mattox Ridgon (1887-1965).



Stan graduated from Montgomery Grade School in the Paradise community in 1949 and Du Quoin High School in 1953. He served in the United States Army for two years as a mechanic.



*The Valiers: Larry, Lisa, Joshua, Jessica, and Jacob, Stan and Barb, Steve, Jami, and Lane.*

Barbara attended seven years at Lower Holts Grade School and then graduated from Consolidated 204 Grade School in 1951, and Pinckneyville High School in 1955. Following graduation, Barb was employed as a secretary for Forest City Manufacturing Company of Du Quoin, Illinois for three years.

On 07 June 1958 Stan and Barb were united in marriage at Paradise Baptist Church. The ceremony was officiated by Reverend Richard Vansyoc. To this union were born two sons, Larry Gene on 21 December 1960 and Steven Floyd on 16 May 1967.



*Lane and Sydney Valier.*

Larry graduated from J.B. Ward Junior High in 1975 and Du Quoin High School in 1979. On 14 May 1983 Larry married Lisa Ann Thompson, daughter of Lawrence and Nancy Thompson of Pinckneyville. Larry and Lisa reside in rural Du Quoin with their three children, Joshua Tyler (born 31 October 1986), Jessica Lynn (born 03 January 1990) and Jacob Austin (born 11 July 1996). They are presently farming full time and are actively involved in community work and church work at Nine Mile Baptist Church. Larry also enjoys doing some carpenter work and Lisa is a housewife.

Steve graduated from J.B. Ward Junior High in 1981 and Du Quoin High School in 1985. On 13 August 1994 Steve married Jami Lynn VanZandt, daughter of James Russell and Brenda Kay VanZandt of Du Quoin. Steve and Jami reside in rural Du Quoin on twenty acres with their two children: Lane Braxton (born 12 August 1996) and Sydney Madison (born 21 November 1997). Their interests include raising lab dogs and other outdoor activities. Jami is a housewife and has worked part-time for Delmar Studios in Marion, Illinois. Steve is employed by Kearney Fertilizer Incorporated of Du Quoin and loves duck hunting.

Stan and Barb have resided in rural Du Quoin since 1958, on the Valier Farm. They are life-long residents of Perry County. Both are active members of Nine Mile Baptist Church, the oldest church in the Nine Mile Association. They have farmed for several (forty) years and Stan has been a rural letter carrier for thirty-four years.

Barb has enjoyed working part-time since the boys grew up. She worked as a pharmacy technician at West Side Drug Store for over nineteen years. After Robert Heape sold West Side Pharmacy to the Kroger Company, she began working for the Kroger Pharmacy in Du Quoin. *Submitted by Stan and Barb Valier 1998.*

## VANCIL-BAILEY

Miles Vancil was the only son of John and Julie (Leibel) Vancil. He was born in Du Quoin, Illinois on 28 September 1903. He painted in an auto shop for many years. Later he ran two bowling alleys, one in Du Quoin and the other in Pinckneyville. During the war he worked above a store in downtown Du Quoin teaching wood crafting.

Annabel Bailey Vancil was one of eleven children born to Joe and Elizabeth O'Keefe Bailey. She was born in Sunfield on 08 October 1908. To their union was born three sons, John "Sam", Howard, and Bill. Miles died in September 1946 and Annabel died on 05 March 1945. *Submitted by Sam and Elaine Vancil.*

## VANCIL-BROOKS

Darryl Richard Vancil was born 28 September 1961 in Du Quoin, Illinois and is the fourth child of John "Sam" Bailey and Dorothy Elaine Timpner Vancil of Du Quoin. His siblings are Deborah Bandy of Herrin, David Vancil and Dennis Vancil, both of Sunfield, and Denise Smith of Du Quoin.

Darryl's maternal grandparents are the late William Bahre and Laura Ann Frederking Timpner of Pinckneyville. His paternal grandparents are the late Miles and Annabel Bailey Vancil of Du Quoin.



*Darryl, Beth, Bailey, and Brooke Vancil—29 January 1998.*

Beth Ann Brooks Vancil was born 26 June 1964 in Du Quoin and is the second child of Robert Allen and Marilyn Sue Thompson Brooks of Tamaroa. Her siblings are Tami Alvis of Du Quoin and Heather Opp of Tamaroa.

Beth's paternal grandparents are Elva Arleen Wilks Brooks and the late Hallie Brooks of Du Quoin. Her maternal grandparents are the late Stephen Earl and Frances Elizabeth Bradley Thompson of Tamaroa.

Darryl graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1979. Beth graduated from Du Quoin

High School in 1982. They were married on 23 October 1982 and reside on Bailey Lane in Sunfield. At the present time, Darryl and Beth are full time farmers. They enjoy spending time with their two children, Bailey Allen, born 19 July 1988, and Brooke Lynn, born 02 February 1990.

Bailey is currently in the fourth grade at Ward Middle School. He is active in and enjoys basketball. Bailey loves fishing with his dad, and riding bicycles, four-wheelers, and motorcycles.

Brooke is currently in second grade at Wheatley School. She enjoys swimming, jumping on the trampoline, and playing with animals.

## VANCIL-DEMPSEY

Grace Lucille Vancil was born 18 February 1917 in Elkhville, Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Jacob "Jake" Jonas Vancil and Nettie May Gross. Grace married first Enloe Dale Dempsey 15 June 1941 in Cape Girardeau, Missouri. She married second William "Bill" Fredrick Commean 17 January 1975 in Murphysboro, Illinois, son of Wilbur Elmer Commean Sr. and Virginia Reiss.

Grace Vancil and Enloe Dempsey had one adopted child, Jerry Elaine Dempsey, born 29 May 1947 in Kansas City, Missouri. Jerry Elaine is developmentally disabled. Jerry Elaine Dempsey is living in a shelter care home in Hoyleton, Illinois and goes to a shelter care workshop in Nashville, Illinois. Elaine had breast cancer surgery in 1994 and so far is cancer free. She takes the drug Tamoxifen and is healthy and happy.

Grace loves cats, flowers, and gardening, raising the best tasting tomatoes in town along with loads of delicious burpless cucumbers. Grace writes poetry and has since she was a child and has published a book of poems. She often writes her own poems for special occasions for her friends and relatives. *Submitted by Grace Vancil Dempsey Commean.*

## VANCIL-GROSS

Jacob "Jake" Jonas Vancil was born 05 August 1889 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, and died 21 September 1960 in Marshall Browning Hospital, Du Quoin. Jacob was the son of Joseph Ervin Vancil and Millie Spears. A copy of the Vancil family history can be found in the Du Quoin Public Library. Jacob married Nettie May Gross 09 September 1911, possibly in Du Quoin. Nettie was born 03 September 1894 in Du Quoin and died 06 February 1972 in Carbondale Memorial Hospital, Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois.

The children of Jacob Vancil and Nettie Gross are: Clifton Conrad Vancil, born 31 March 1912; Veiga Elaine Vancil, born 09 September 1913 in Du Quoin and died 03 February 1990 in Du Quoin. Veiga married Marion Clay Commean 30 December 1929 in Pinckneyville. Both Veiga and Marion are buried in Sunset Memorial Park in Du Quoin; James Cline Vancil, born 31 August 1915; Grace Lucille Vancil, born 18 February 1917 in Elkhville, Illinois. Grace married first Enloe Dale Dempsey 15 June 1941, and second William "Bill" Fredrick Commean 17 January 1975; Hilda Imogene Vancil, born 18 November 1921 in Du Quoin and died 14 June 1992 in Du Quoin. Hilda married first Isadore J. Weihl 15 February 1945 in Seattle, Washington, and second William "Bill" Fredrick Commean 27 October 1946 in Hernando, Mississippi; and Phyllis Joyce Vancil, born 01 July 1930 in Du Quoin. Phyllis married Martin R. Schroedel 19 June 1949 in Du Quoin, Illinois.



## VANCIL-PETERSON

David John Vancil, born 12 November 1954 in Du Quoin, Illinois, is the second child of John Bailey "Sam" and Dorothy Elaine Timpner Vancil of Du Quoin, Illinois. His siblings are Dennis and Darryl Vancil of Sunfield, Denise Vancil Smith of Du Quoin, and Deborah Vancil Bandy of Herrin. Paternal grandparents were Miles and Annabel Bailey Vancil of Sunfield. Maternal grandparents were William Bahre and Laura Ann Frederking Timpner.



David, Debbie, Jennifer, John, and Mindy Vancil.

David was united in marriage to Deborah Peterson Vancil on 05 December 1975 at the Sunfield United Methodist Church in Sunfield. Deborah, born 17 May 1956 in El Paso, Texas, is the oldest child of James Preston Peterson of Murphysboro, Illinois and Josephine Ann Penland Patterson of Ballwin, Missouri. She has one sister, Jaime, and a half-brother, James, and half-sisters, Tara and Samantha. Deborah's paternal grandparents are Woodrow and Lois Gage Peterson of Carbondale, Illinois. Her maternal grandparents are Lloyd Penland and Ann Yurgitus Penland of Carbondale.

David attended Sunfield School, Ward Junior High, Du Quoin High School, John A. Logan College and Southern Illinois University. He graduated in 1976 with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in electrical engineering. He currently works as an engineer for the Consolidation Coal Company Rend Lake Mine. His hobbies include golf, tennis, and following his children's athletic activities.

Deborah attended Springmore Elementary School in Carbondale, Sunfield School, Ward Junior High, Du Quoin High School, John A. Logan College, and Southern Illinois University. She graduated with an elementary education degree and currently is teaching kindergarten at Wheatley School in Du Quoin.

Jennifer Nicole, the oldest child, was born 16 June 1978 in Du Quoin, Illinois. She graduated from Du Quoin High School and is now a student at Shawnee Community College where she is a pitcher for the softball team. She plans to attend Southern Illinois University in the fall and double major in biology and chemistry.

John David, the second child, was born 08 August 1980 in Du Quoin, Illinois. He is a 1998 graduate of Du Quoin High School. He lettered in football and basketball four year in high school. John enjoys the outdoors and plans to attend college in the fall majoring in environmental engineering.

Mindy Jo, the third child, was born 06 September 1984 in Du Quoin, Illinois. She is a seventh grader at Ward Middle School. She is a cheerleader and a softball player for Ward Middle School. She enjoys gymnastics and softball.

## VANCIL-TIMPNER

John Bailey Vancil, born 21 June 1931 in Sunfield, Illinois, is the oldest child of Miles and Annabel Bailey Vancil. His paternal grandparents were John and Julia Leibel Vancil. Maternal grandparents were Joseph and Elizabeth O'Keefe Bailey.

Dorothy Elaine Timpner Vancil, born 20 September 1934 in Pinckneyville, is the fourth child of William Bahre and Laura Ann Frederking Timpner of Pinckneyville. Her paternal grandparents were Edward and Elizabeth Bahre Timpner of Pinckneyville. Maternal grandparents were August and Anna Marie Anderman Frederking of Nashville, Illinois.



John "Sam", Elaine, Dennis, Darryl, Denise (Smith), David, and Deborah (Bandy) Vancil.

John "Sam" graduated from Sunfield Grade School and from Du Quoin High School in 1949. Elaine graduated from Ozburn Grade School and Pinckneyville High School in 1952. Sam and Elaine were married at St. Paul Evangelical Church in Pinckneyville on 09 August 1952. To this union were born five children.

Deborah, who married Lloyd Daniel Bandy from Herrin in 1974, is now working as a fifth grade teacher at Ward Middle School in Du Quoin. Dan works at Electric Energy, Incorporated in Joppa, Illinois as a certified welder. They are currently living in Herrin with their three children, Laura, Ross, and Rebekah.

David married Deborah Peterson in 1975. They reside in Sunfield with their three children, Jennifer, John and Mindy. David is working as an engineer for the Consolidation Coal Company's Rend Lake Mine. Debbie is a kindergarten teacher at Wheatley School in Du Quoin.

Dennis resides in Sunfield and works at Arch Mineral Corporation. He graduated from Du Quoin High School and played competitive softball for many years.

Darryl and Beth Brooks were married in 1982. They presently live in Sunfield where they reside on and operate Vancil Farms. They have two children, Bailey and Brooke.

Denise married Tim Smith in 1987. Denise teaches music and band at Christopher Elementary School. Tim is a draftsman at John A. Logan College. They have one son, Andrew.

Sam and Elaine have made their home in Sunfield since 1956 when they built their house on the site of his grandfather, Joe Bailey's home place. Both are active in the Sunfield United Methodist Church.

Sam served in the United States Army for two years during the Korean War. He was employed in the coal industry until 1987 when he accepted his current position, an appointment as the Assistant Director of the Department of Mines and Minerals.

Elaine is active in several activities involving church work, Home Extension, and painting. She belongs to the Pyramid Painters Club and enjoys painting in both oils and acrylics for a hobby. Submitted by Sam and Elaine Vancil.

## VANCIL-LEIBEL

John Henry Vancil was a lifelong resident of Perry County. As a carpenter he built many of the homes in Sunfield and Du Quoin. He was married to Julia Leibel and they lived their entire lives in Sunfield, St. Johns, and Du Quoin. To this union was born one son, Miles.

John Henry Vancil was born in Du Quoin, Illinois on 01 April 1877 and died on 12 September 1961. Julia Leibel Vancil was born in St. Louis, Missouri on 04 February 1868 and died on 15 October 1958. Miles Vancil was born on 28 September 1903 and died in September 1946. Submitted by Sam and Elaine Vancil.

## VAUGHN-BROCK

Richard and Patsy Vaughn, both Du Quoin natives, have spent the past 25 years living in Pinckneyville. Richard is the youngest son of the late William "Roy" and Mary Vaughn. Richard's sisters Virginia (Mrs. Robert) Green and Betty (Mrs. Joe) Green still reside in Du Quoin, his brother Virgil lives in Ohio with his wife Ethel.



Richard and Patsy Vaughn.

Patsy is the daughter of the late Robert and Rheuy Hamilton Brock. Patsy's mother, Rheuy Price and her sister Linda "Rae" (Mrs. Charles) Gilliam still live in Du Quoin. Her sister Kay Crider died in 1988 and her brother Gene and wife Margaret (Minnino) live in Arkansas.

Richard is now retired from his 25 years at the First Baptist Church in Pinckneyville where he was the music director and Patsy was the interpreter for the deaf. Patsy is working at the Perry County Farm Bureau. They both enjoy gardening, family gatherings, musicals of all types and grandchildren. Richard and Patsy have two children, Cathy and Christy.

Cathy is married to John Wittmer Jr., son of the late Reverend John and Loretta Wittmer. Loretta makes her home in Pinckneyville with her twin sister, Louetta Chester. John and Cathy live in Pinckneyville. John works for Peabody Coal Company and Cathy teaches Kindergarten at Pinckneyville District 50. They have two children: Elizabeth, born in 1990, and Matthew, born in 1991. Their family enjoys collecting antique trains, outdoor activities and family gatherings.

Christy married Chad Rowland, son of Michael and Betty Rowland of Bolivar, Tennessee. Christy and Chad live in Fort Worth, Texas. Chad is a recent graduate of Southwestern Baptist



Theological Seminary, where he received his Masters of Theology with Biblical Languages and Christy teaches fifth and sixth grade math in Fort Worth. They will begin their first pastorate this summer. They have no children. They enjoy weekend retreats, "working out", and Dallas Cowboy football games.

## VORDERBRUGGE- LONGCAMP

Henry Vorderbrugge was born in 1826 in Fernald West Phalen, Germany and married Charlotte Longcamp who was born in 1822 in Fernald West Phalen, Germany. They came to the United States in the 1860s, residing in Randolph County, Illinois. They had nine children, seven sons and two daughters. Fred "Fritz" Vorderbrugge was born 14 February 1854 in Fernald West Phalen, Germany. Fritz married Mary Weitzel on 21 June 1888 in Perry County, Illinois and they are buried at the Weitzel Cemetery, Denmark, Perry County, Illinois and they had no children.



*Elizabeth Henrietta Vorderbrugge.*

Henry Vorderbrugge was born 24 September 1861 in Fernald West Phalen, Germany and married Emma Wise who died 03 August 1925 in Perry County. Henry and Emma's children: William Henry Vorderbrugge (born 26 July 1892; died 13 February 1967). William married Alvina Salger and their children were Leona and Audry.

William Vorderbrugge was born after 1862 in Fernald West Phalen, Germany. William's wife is unknown. William's children were Anna Rabe, Henrietta J. and George Bare Vorderbrugge.

Elizabeth Henriette Vorderbrugge was born 03 January 1868 in Steeleville, Randolph County, Illinois and died 09 April 1932. Elizabeth married John Rolf Fones/Foens on 08 February 1886. John Rolf was born 09 August 1847 in Cutler, Perry County, Illinois and died 21 January 1904 in Randolph County, Illinois. Elizabeth and John are buried at the Weitzel Cemetery, Denmark, Perry County, Illinois. Their children were Albert George, Mary Etta, John William, Edward Fiffer, Herbert Harrison, Lydia May, Lyman Elmer, Rosette Pearl and Roberta Irene.

Frank Vorderbrugge was born 16 October 1873 in Steeleville, Randolph County, Illinois and died 30 October 1961 and is buried at the Cottom Cemetery, Denmark, Perry County, Illinois. Charles Vorderbrugge, no date. Arthur Vorderbrugge, Reuben Vorderbrugge, and Audry Vorderbrugge. Audry married Lee Stevenson.

Vorderbrugge information researched by the late Gladys L. (Heine) Bird. Article submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings.

## UICHARD-SCHNEIDER

Harold Raymond Uichard Sr. was born 17 May 1912 in Coulterville, Randolph County, Illinois to George W. and Margaret (nee Kaufman) Uichard. Harold attended grade and high school in Coulterville. He began working in the slope coal mines and was working there when he married.

Lucille Annette Schneider was born 29 December 1915 in Pinckneyville, daughter of John William "Will" and Ida Sophia (nee Berg) Schneider. She attended grade school in Pinckneyville and Coulterville and high school in Coulterville. Harold's sister, Jane, a school friend of Lucille's, introduced Harold and Lucille.

Harold and Lucille married 10 October 1934 at Our Lady of Lourds Catholic Church in Sparta, Randolph County, Illinois. This marriage was blessed with ten children: Margaret Ida, Helen Cecelia, Harold Raymond Jr., Dianne Elizabeth, Leona May, Paul John, David Joseph, Stephen Francis, Karen Sue, and Timothy Charles.

Harold left the slope mine in Coulterville to work at a radiator factory in St. Louis, Missouri. After the factory closed, the Uichard's moved to Pinckneyville where Harold opened his own auto repair and sales garage on the corner of Mill and Main Streets. Their next move was to Mt. Vernon, Illinois where Harold began an excavating company that led to their move to Edwardsville, Illinois. In the early 1970s the Uichards moved back to Pinckneyville. In 1979 Harold and Lucille moved to North Fort Myers, Florida to be closer to their daughter, Helen and her family, and to avoid the cold Illinois winters. Children Karen, Leona, and Margaret "Margie" and Tim have also moved to Florida.

Harold died at their home in North Fort Myers on 12 February 1987. He was brought home to Pinckneyville for burial in the St. Bruno Catholic Cemetery.

Lucille has always had a love and talent for growing plants and continues to do so at her Florida home. She is also well-versed in the healing properties of plants and vitamins and is the family's resource for healing information. She enjoys her many plants and visits with her close family members (see Savio-Uichard history).

## UICHARD-TIMPNER

David Joseph Uichard was born 12 November 1954 in Mt. Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois to Harold Raymond, Sr. and Lucille Annette Schneider Uichard. He shares his parents with four brothers and five sisters.

Donna Lynn Timpner was born 10 August 1955 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois to William Edward Adolph and Helen Dorothy Van Voorhis Timpner. She shares her parents with one sister and one brother.

David and Donna were married on 03 April 1976, at St. Paul United Church of Christ by Reverend Keith C. Klosterman and Father Timothy Foley. This marriage has been blessed with two daughters, Michelle Lynn and Tiffany Lee. Michelle Lynn was born 12 March 1980 in Du Quoin. She plans to graduate in 1999 from Pinckneyville Community High School and then pursue a career as a dental assistant. Tiffany Lee was born 04 May 1983 in Du Quoin. She will be a sophomore at Pinckneyville Community High School in the fall of 1998 and plans to pursue a

career in marine biology. She swims on the Pinckneyville Dolphins Swim Team each summer.



*The David Uichard Family.*

David owns and operates a tractor-trailer and is leased to Page Transport. He enjoys tinkering with old cars and "puttering" around in his shop. He also has quite a "green thumb" when he has a chance to indulge in gardening. Donna is a graduate of Pinckneyville High School (1973) and Memorial Hospital School of Nursing (1975) in Springfield, Illinois. She has worked as a Registered Nurse at Sparta Community Hospital (1975-1980), Perry Manor Nursing Home (charge nurse and director of nursing, 1980-1988), and the American Red Cross (blood collection services, 1990-1993). She enjoys quilting and other hand crafts and genealogy research. She is active in the Genealogy Society of Southern Illinois having served as its newsletter editor for several years and currently serving as Recording Secretary. She is also currently serving as the chairperson of the Genealogy Committee of the Perry County Historical Society. (See Uichard-Timpner history in Volume I.)

## WAGNER-BECK

Theodore August Ferdinand was born 05 January 1885 in Cutler, Illinois to William Wagner and Marie Frederking Wagner. He was the second son in a family of six boys. He married Rosina Wilhelmina Beck, known as "Minnie" on 08 December 1909 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. She was born on 20 September 1889 in a small log cabin west of Pinckneyville. She was the daughter of Fred J. Beck and Anna Rosina Brostmeyer.

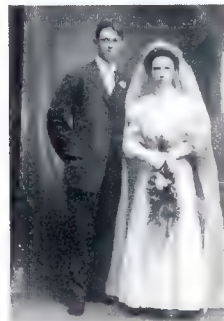
Theodore and Minnie had five children: Olga Ann (born 24 October 1910) married Herman Ohlendorf on 15 October 1932; George Rheinhardt (born 27 September 1912) married Marion Benson on 01 November 1938, second wife Beatrice Reick on 22 January 1987; Paul William (21 February 1915-07 January 1990) married Irma Wildermuth on 12 July 1941; Wilma Gertrude (born 01 March 1921) married Earl Jacobsgaard in January of 1939; Martha JoAnn (born 13 December 1927) married Eugene House on 13 October 1946. Minnie also gave birth to two stillborn babies in 1917 and 1919.

When Theodore was nine, he went to live with his maternal grandparents in Goodfarm, Illinois. He spent two years there helping his grandfather, Pastor Carl Frederking, with chores on the farm. While he was there, his grandmother, Marie Frederking, taught him to play the organ.

Just before the Depression, Theodore was the part owner in a farm implement store in Pinckneyville. He also had three crews of men who worked his thresher business. When the Depression hit he sold his interest in the store and



moved his family to Dwight, Illinois where he farmed until 1938. In 1938 he sold all of his animals and equipment in an auction and returned to Pinckneyville to buy a hardware store from his father-in-law, Fred J. Beck, who had fallen ill. Fred offered Theodore the first chance to buy the store because Theodore's father, William Wagner, had loaned Fred the money to start the store. His store was located in downtown Pinckneyville until the early 40's when he moved it to Randolph Street. Theodore owned and operated the store until 1960 when he suffered a stroke. At that time his son, Paul, helped run the store. He died at age 79, on 02 March 1964 of a stroke.



*Theodore August Ferdinand Wagner and Rosina Wilhelmina Beck Wedding.*

Minnie quit school during fifth grade to become a nanny to a neighboring family. She was an excellent homemaker of many talents. She was particularly noted for her quilts and baking. Minnie lived to be 85 years of age and died on 08 July 1975.

During their lives, Theodore and Minnie were active members of the Zion Lutheran Church in Pinckneyville. They are survived by four children and fifteen grandchildren along with many great and great, great grandchildren. *Submitted by Michael K. House, grandson.*

## WAGNER-FREDERKING

William Gottlieb Wagner (born 14 February 1859, Perry County) was the son of Christopher and Wilhelmina Jansen Wagner. He married Marie Frederking (born 23 December 1863, Mount Hope, Ohio) the daughter of Pastor Carl and Ann Marie (Popp) Frederking. They were married on 15 October 1882 in Goodfarm, Grundy County, Illinois by Marie's father.



*Children of William and Marie Wagner: (top center) Theodore Wagner, (clockwise) Fred, Walter, and Ed.*

William and Marie settled in the Cutler area where William was a farmer and raised hogs and dairy cows. He kept 20 dairy cows, took the milk to Cutler and brought back the whey and fed it to his pigs. William spoke mostly German with a

little broken English. In trade, William took land in payment for several loans owed to him. Marie was described by one of her daughters-in-law as extremely frugal.

William and Marie had six sons: Wilhelm (21 October 1883-20 November 1886); Theodore August Ferdinand (05 January 1885-02 March 1964) married Rosina Wilhelmina Beck on 08 December 1909; Gottfried Henry John (11 September 1887-14 November 1929) married Anna Mayer on 06 October 1912; Charles Edward William (01 March 1889-14 October 1974) married Ella Hahn on 13 December 1913; Walter George Carl (27 December 1892-09 July 1961) married Myrtle Henson on 15 June 1924; and Henry J. W. (25 December 1900-June 1983) married Lena Aherns and second wife, Olga Hartmann on 12 May 1934.

William died of a stroke at age 68 on 28 September 1927 and Marie died at age 75 on 06 October 1939. *Submitted by Michael K. House, great grandson.*

## WAGNER-JANSEN

Christopher Wagner (born 11 May 1819, Bavaria) left Bremen, Germany and arrived in Baltimore on 30 April 1853 on a Hamburg ship named Theodore. He married Wilhelmina "Minnie" Jansen (born 01 November 1830, Prussia) on 22 April 1854 in Perry County.

Christopher and his wife settled in Denmark, Perry County where they farmed. As a successful farmer he bred horses and mules and sold them to "Yankee Farmers." They had seven children: Mary (1855-17 July 1880) who married George Kraft; Martha (10 December 1856-13 February 1929) who married Albert Kraft in 1877; William Gottlieb (14 February 1859-28 September 1927) who married Marie Frederking on 15 October 1882; Elizabeth (12 March 1861-20 March 1865); Henry (born 1864) who married Annie Brune on 05 February 1891; Susan (10 March 1866-27 December 1929) who married George Gillas on 08 October 1885; and John (30 August 1870-30 June 1871).

Wilhelmina lived to be 40 and died of pneumonia on 06 December 1870. There is no record of Christopher remarrying. Christopher also died of pneumonia, four years later, at the age of 55 on 17 April 1875. Their children Henry and Susan were not of age when their parents died so they were taken in by George and Margaret Beck. At the time of Christopher's death he owned 3600 acres (which at the time was worth \$8,600) in Perry County. *Submitted by Michael K. House, 2<sup>nd</sup> great grandson.*

## WALDMAN-KELLER

Katrina LeeAnn Keller and David Allen Waldman, both of Du Quoin became husband and wife on 05 June 1993 at the St. Charles Catholic Church in DuBois, Illinois. Katrina, the daughter of Nancy Ann (Ellison) and Ronald Arthur Keller was born in Carbondale on 31 May 1974. David, born 14 June 1970 is the son of Patricia Ann (LaCicero) and Eugene C. Waldman.

Katrina and David are the proud parents of one son, Zachary Caleb who is now 4 years old. They are expecting their second child in March 1998.

Prior to her marriage, Katrina was employed in DuQuoin at ABC Daycare, Royal Inn, and Domino's Pizza. After marriage and the birth of

her first child, she maintained a private childcare service in her home. David has been employed at Rent One in Du Quoin, Absher Motors in Marion, and Vic Koenig in Carbondale. He is now in the management program for Heileg Myers Furniture Store.



*Katrina and David Waldman—1973.*

After managing a store in Mississippi for over a year, Katrina, David and Zach are now residing in Mt. Vernon, Illinois awaiting the birth of their second child and the transfer to his next store. *Submitted by Nancy Ann Ellison Keller.*

## WALKER

Shown in the picture below are two sons and a daughter of William J. Walker 1831-03 December 1857), a Civil War Veteran and a livestock farmer four miles southwest of Du Quoin, Illinois.



On the top row, left to right, are Pete and Alma Lipe Walker (married 04 July 1892), Hiram "Hi" A. Henry and Ida Margaret Haffly Walker, and Mary Logan Walker Lipe beside her husband George Thomas Lipe.

Grandchildren of William J. Walker are seated in the front row. They are Pete's daughter, Nell (who married "Tuppy" Keene) and Mary Logan's three children (left to right) Ina Lipe (1900-1934; married Bernard Dankleff), Geneva Lipe (1899-1963; first married Herschel Harvey and then married Maurice Dunn), and Maurice Walker Lipe (1907-1983; married Vivian Elizabeth Brown).

Alma Lipe and George T. Lipe were the children of John Robert Lipe, also a Civil War Veteran and farmer. John R. died of war related illnesses on 20 March 1885.

All in the picture, except Pete, Alma and Nell, are buried in the McElvain Cemetery, west of Du Quoin, Illinois. Many of these people were covered in more detail in Volume I, Perry County History Book, 1988.

## WEAVER-KIRBY

John Harmon Weaver (born 1838, Saxony, Germany) married Amanda Kirby (born 25 July



1840, Nashville, Tennessee) on 21 April 1861 in Pinckneyville. Amanda was previously married to William Walker, the marriage ended in divorce (no known children).

They had eight children. Job Eugene (27 July 1864-03 May 1950; married Mattie Jane Ragsdale on 31 May 1886) their oldest son, was born in Nashville, Tennessee during his father's interim in the Union forces during the Civil War. The remaining children were born in Tamaroa, Illinois: Ida May (born 17 January 1862) married name Macy; Mary Ann (born 06 June 1866); William E. (05 February 1868-06 April 1946) married Adda Loucks on 23 October 1887, second marriage, Essibell Anderson; Margaret Elizabeth (born 18 September 1870) married name Pardou; Joseph Austin (18 October 1873-05 February 1961) married Mary Mount on 24 December 1902; Jememia A. (born 29 July 1874) married name Clampet; and Amos Henry (born 14 October 1875) married twice, Jose Johnson, 18 June 1902, and Nettie Schaffer.

John enlisted in the Union Army in 21 August 1862. He served in Company D of the 89<sup>th</sup> Regiment of the Illinois Volunteer Infantry (known as the Railroad Regiment). He fought in several battles in the western front of the war. He lost a hand in the Battle of Chickamauga and was then removed from the front to the rear lines where he was assigned to the Veterans Reserve Corps and remained in that service until the end of the war. He worked in and out of Union hospitals.

John farmed near Tamaroa until he died at age 37 on 16 April 1876 of a disease which he contracted during his military service, leaving Amanda to raise eight children, ranging in age from six months to fourteen years, on her own. Amanda received a veteran's pension until she died at the age of 69 on 28 November 1909. *Submitted by Michael K. House, 2<sup>nd</sup> great grandson.*

## WEAVER-RAGSDALE

Job Eugene (born 27 July 1864, Nashville, Tennessee) was born to John Harmon Weaver and Amanda Kirby Weaver. Job Eugene (who went by the name Eugene) was born when his mother, Amanda, went to stay with relatives in Nashville, Tennessee to be near her husband, John, while he served with the Union forces in Tennessee. Job Eugene married Mattie Jane Ragsdale on 31 May 1886 in Tamaroa. Mattie Jane (born 19 June 1867, DeSoto, Illinois) was the daughter of Meredith V. Ragsdale and Ann Massey.

Job Eugene and Mattie Jane had five children of which only three lived to adulthood: Linus (21 March 1888-30 October 1954) married Corda Elder on 03 March 1910 and second wife, Velma Raymond on 19 October 1919; Lora Cecil (20 June 1894-19 August 1975) married John Bland (27 September 1910, divorced), second husband, Lyle Stanley on 30 January 1915; and Grace (12 April 1900-07 February 1973) married Howard Rice on 25 December 1916, were all born in Tamaroa, Illinois.

Job Eugene worked as a coal miner. In his later years, Job Eugene was known to walk from Tamaroa to Du Quoin on a daily basis. He died at age 85 on 03 May 1950. Mattie Jane died at age 60 on 24 June 1927. *Submitted by Michael K. House, great grandson.*

## WEBB-ISOM

James Alexander Webb was born 28 April 1859 in Franklin County, Illinois, son of Richard

Spivey and Louisanna Neville Webb. On 14 July 1882 he married Louveina Elizabeth Isom in Franklin County, Illinois.

Louveina was born 16 October 1866 in Jefferson County, Illinois, daughter of Henry and Susanah Junkins Isom. She died 21 September 1915 in Du Quoin, Illinois. James died on 28 January 1938 in Du Quoin. Louveina and James are buried in Paradise Baptist Cemetery, Perry County, Illinois.

Thirteen children were born to Louveina and James:

Rosetta Frances Webb was born 10 November 1894 in Jefferson County, Illinois. She married William A. Bunton on 26 June 1902 in Perry County. She died 05 January 1975 in Springfield, Illinois and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin.

John Henry Webb was born 28 May 1886 in Jefferson County, Illinois. No further information is available about him.

Beula Velma Webb was born 25 June 1889 in Perry County, Illinois. She married Charles Ackrod 20 August 1905 in Perry County. She died 18 January 1966 and is buried in the Nine Mile Baptist Cemetery in Perry County.

Susannah Webb was born 13 March 1890 in Perry County, Illinois. She married John E. Penwarden on 16 January 1908 in Perry County. She died 06 May 1924 in Perry County and is buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery.

Eva Elizabeth Webb was born 13 November 1891 in Perry County. She was married to Roberts, then Eaton, and then Ben Powell. She died 25 June 1988 in Du Quoin, Illinois and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery.

William Spiva Webb was born 02 September 1893 in Jefferson County, Illinois. He married Amanda Bell Stanley 29 July 1916. She died 13 April 1922. He married Maude G. Harriss Whitlock 29 December 1923 in Jonesboro, Union County, Illinois. He died 25 December 1965 in St. Louis, Missouri and is buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery.

James Raymond Webb was born 31 July 1895 in Perry County. He married Katherine Maurer 30 March 1920. He then married Edith Becker on 25 December 1926. He died 02 July 1976 in Illinois and is buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery.

Lee Roy Webb was born 21 July 1897 in Perry County. He died 20 October 1950 in Decatur, Illinois. He is buried in Paradise Baptist Cemetery in Perry County.

Rella Beatrice "Bea" Webb was born 19 May 1900 in Perry County. She married John Long on 20 December 1915. Her second marriage was to John D. Lockwood on 03 October 1935. She died 02 June 1960 in Sweethome, Oregon and was buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery.

Herchel Leslie Allen Webb was born 09 March 1902 in Perry County. No further information known.

Mary Blanche Webb was born 08 January 1904 in Perry County. She died there on 03 September 1910 and is buried in the Paradise Baptist Cemetery in Perry County.

Dennis Webb was born 13 July 1906 in Perry County. He married Grace Couger.

Berry Webb was born 08 July 1908 in Perry County. He married Louise Thompson. Berry died May 1942 in St. Louis, Missouri. *Submitted by Darol Webb of Du Quoin.*

## WEBB-JONES

Darol D. Webb, born 18 October 1929 in Du Quoin, Illinois, the son of William Spiva and Maude G. Harriss Whitlock Webb. Darol grew up in Du Quoin and graduated from Du Quoin Township High School in 1947. In July 1948 he enlisted in the United States Navy. He served four years with nine months of that time spent off the coast of Korea during the Korean Conflict. Darol returned to Du Quoin in July 1952 where he met Shirley M. Jones and on 27 September 1952 they were married in Corinth, Alcorn County, Mississippi. Shirley was born 27 November 1932 in Du Quoin, Illinois, died 03 January 1998 and is buried at Primitive Baptist Cemetery. Shirley was the daughter of Lavern K. and Jessie P. Goss Jones of St. Johns, Illinois. She grew up in Eldorado, Illinois, graduating from high school there. They moved back to St. Johns about 1950.



*Darol Webb, Julie Alms Webb, Rickey Webb Werner, Bryan Webb holding Jason Webb, and Shirley Jones Webb.*

In late 1952, Darol and Shirley moved to northern Illinois where he went to work for General Motors at the Willow Springs Fisher Body Stamping Plant. They lived in La Grange for about ten years and then moved to North Fort Myers, Florida. In October 1991 they bought a house at the Du Quoin City Lake and moved permanently back to Illinois in March 1996. Darol and Shirley have two children and four grandchildren.

Rickey Jean Webb was born 19 March 1953 in Cook County, Illinois. She married William A. Werner on 10 January 1972 in DuPage County, Illinois. They have two children: Erica T. Werner Elford and Richard Darol Werner. Rickey lives in Woodridge, Illinois.

Bryan Dwain Webb was born 01 February 1957 in Cook County, Illinois. He married Julie Alms on 12 June 1985 in DuPage County, Illinois. They have two children: Jason Webb and Andrew Jacob Webb. Bryan lives in Sandwich, Illinois.

## WEBB-NEVILLE

Richard Spivey Webb, born about 1828 in Hadenburg, Jackson County, Tennessee, is believed to be the son of Allen and Fanny Webb of Jackson County, Tennessee. He came to Perry County, Illinois about 1845, shortly after his good friend and neighbor, Joseph Neville, moved to Perry County with eight of his twelve children. On 26 February 1852, Richard married Louisiana Neville in Perry County. Louisiana was born 22 June 1826 in Jackson County, Tennessee to Joseph and Elizabeth Mary Pollock Neville. 1854 tax records show them living in Franklin County, Illinois. They attended church at the Greenwood Methodist church in Mulkeytown, Illinois.



Louisiana died 15 February 1905 in Perry County and was buried in Bear Point Cemetery in Sesser, Illinois.

Richard Spivey enlisted in the Union Army Company G, 49<sup>th</sup> Illinois Infantry on 22 March 1865 at Elmwood, Illinois. He died 24 April 1865 at the military post hospital in Paducah, Kentucky. He was buried in the military cemetery at Mounds City, Illinois.

To Richard and Louisiana were born six children. Mary Francis Webb was born 29 January 1853 in Franklin County. She married Conrad Graf on 27 April 1878. Allen Joseph Webb was born 12 December 1854 in Franklin County. He married Margaret Ann Anderson on 21 October 1875 in Perry County. Alvin Andrew Webb was born 06 March 1857 in Franklin County. He married Elizabeth J. Isom on 02 August 1877 in Franklin County. James Alexander Webb was born 28 April 1859 in Franklin County. He married Loveina Elizabeth Isom on 14 July 1882 in Franklin County. Emilla Jane "Milley" Webb was born 05 August 1861 in Franklin County. She married George W. Thompson on 06 August 1882 in Franklin County. George B. G. Webb was born 12 November 1863 in Franklin County. He died 14 November 1865 in Franklin County and is buried in Bear Point Cemetery, Sesser, Illinois.

Richard's brother, William P. Berry Webb, and his family left Jackson County, Tennessee about 1852 and followed him to Perry County, Illinois and then later moved to Franklin County. William Berry was a farmer and a Baptist preacher. At one time, he preached at the Bear Point Baptist Church in Sesser, Illinois. William Berry's farm was located west of Christopher, Illinois. *Submitted by Darol Webb of Du Quoin.*

## WEBB-STANLEY-WHITLOCK

William Spiva Webb was born 02 September 1893 in Waltonville, Jefferson County, Illinois, was the son of James Alexander and Louveina Elizabeth Isom Webb. On 29 July 1916 he married Amanda Bell Stanley. She died 13 April 1922 and was buried at the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery. On 29 December 1923, in Jonesboro, Union County, Illinois, he married Maude G. Harriss Whitlock. Maude was born 04 August 1890 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of John P. and Emiley Provart Harriss. On 17 February 1907 Maude married John Irvin Whitlock. He died 03 November 1921 and was buried in Paradise Baptist Cemetery in Perry County. There were no children born to Spiva and Amanda.

Maude and Irvin had three children. Paul E. Whitlock was born 05 January 1908. He married Leola Sells on 28 December 1928. Paul died 19 May 1975 and is buried in Maple Hill Cemetery, Sesser, Illinois. Iris G. Whitlock was born 05 May 1913. She married Deral H. Devor on 12 January 1935 and is now living in North Fort Myers, Florida. Lulu Evelyn "Lou" Whitlock was born 04 October 1920. She married Allen V. Swanson on 29 October 1938 and is now living in Tucson, Arizona.

To Maude and William Spiva were born three children. William P. Webb was born 08 December 1924 in Du Quoin, Illinois. On 23 August 1948 he married Helen Gidak in Du Quoin. His second marriage was to Joann Pichiton in New Mexico. He is now living in Mayhill, New Mexico. Lavada Ruth Webb was born 22 September 1927 in Du Quoin, Illinois and died 23 September 1927. She

is buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery. Darol D. Webb was born 18 October 1929 in Du Quoin. He married Shirley M. Jones on 27 September 1952 in Corinth, Alcorn County, Mississippi. He is now living in Du Quoin.



*Maude, Spiva, Bill, and Darol Webb.*

Spiva worked at Kathleen Mines in Dowell, Illinois until it closed. He then went to Majestic and worked there until it closed. By this time he had taught himself to lay brick and blocks and worked at this trade as long as his health would allow it.

Spiva died on 25 December 1965 in St. Lukes Hospital in St. Louis, Missouri. He is buried at the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery. Maude died 04 December 1966 in Du Quoin and is buried in the Paradise Baptist Cemetery in Perry County. *Submitted by Darol Webb of Du Quoin.*

## WELLS, LEWIS SR.

Any history of this area would not be complete without the mention of Lewis Wells, Sr. His progeny are numerous and many people in Perry County can count him as part of their family tree. One of the earliest settlers of Perry County that was carved from Jackson County in 1827, he and his family were an integral part of its formation and development.

Lewis Wells, Sr., a cabinet maker by trade, was born in 1750 and served in the American Revolutionary War as a soldier with the South Carolina Militia under Colonel Brandon. He married Elizabeth "Betsy" Bates who was born about 1749. When Betsy was about twelve years old, she and her mother, along with three of her siblings, were taken captive by an Indian raiding party. Her father and a "hired hand" were killed. Betsy's mother later gave birth to a baby and as the group crossed the swollen Roanoke River, the child was torn from the mother's arms by the raging water. The mother and children lived with the Indians for about a year before they were ransomed.

Sometime around the year 1803, the Wells family left South Carolina and ventured into southern Illinois along with the Taylors, Pyles, McElvains and others. Finding the Native American population in a state of unrest, they moved back into Kentucky, staying for awhile in Christian County. Between the years 1812 and 1815, the colonists drifted back into what became Jackson County, Illinois, which later became Perry County in 1827.

Lewis and Betsy lived on this land until their deaths in 1846. Lewis died 12 August and Betsy on 04 October and were buried in McElvain Cemetery. All of their children were born in South Carolina and included: Thomas, Lewis Jr., Elizabeth, Anna, Susan, Elijah, Martha, Sarah, Keziah, Mary, Joseph and Giles.

Thomas Bates Wells, born 24 January 1779, married Sarah "Sally" McClain on 06 January 1813 in Christian County, Kentucky. Elizabeth Wells married John Winters. Susan Wells stayed in South Carolina. Elijah Wells, born about 1784, married Sarah Ford in Kentucky. Martha "Patsy" Wells, born 28 April 1786, married William Williams in 1803 in South Carolina. Sarah "Sally" Wells, born in 1788, married Abner Pyle, Sr. on 23 October 1805 in Christian County, Kentucky. Keziah Wells, born in 1789, married Robert McElvain in Christian County, Kentucky. Mary "Polly" Wells, born 30 April 1792, married John "Jack" Pyle, Sr. on 13 November 1806. Joseph Wells, born 30 June 1796, married Permelia Stephens. Giles Wells, born 15 April 1798, married Martha Fruit 10 November 1829 in Christian County, Kentucky. *Submitted by Brian K. and Cheryl F. of Luginbill, Texas.*

## WENDLING-STAHLEBER

Robert Eugene (Stein) Wendling B. 22 January 1945 in Jackson Co. His birth mother was Freda (Wendling) Stein D. 08 February 1945. Carl Stein, Robert's birth father gave him to Freda's cousin to be raised Catholic. Virgie (Furlow) Wendling B. 06 January 1908 D. 12 August 1988 husband Albert C. Wendling.



*Robert and Sandra Wendling.*

In 1956 Robert had his name changed to Robert Gene Wendling.

Robert has been a machinist for 30 years, graduated DuQuoin High School. VTI with an Associate degree for Machinist, served in US Navy with 2 tours in Vietnam.

On 25 August 1972 Robert married Sandra K. (Stahlheber) Fricson in DuQuoin, IL. Sandy had gone to VTI and received a degree as a Licensed Practical Nurse. Sandra had been married to Randall Waybe Fricson of Wisconsin. 28 Oct. 1965. They had 2 daughters: Angela Kay 10 Nov. 1965 Winabago Co., IL. Tracy Lynn 21 July 1968 Perry Co., IL.

The marriage of Sandra and Randall was annulled. Robert adopted Angela and Tracy so their name is now Wendling.

To the Union of Robert and Sandra a son was born Brian Gene B. 02 April 1976.

Angela K. Wendling 7 June 1992 married Douglas Holcomb of Hillsboro, Montgomery Co., IL. Their daughter is Sydney Paige 08 Feb. 1996 in Montgomery Co., IL.

Tracy L. Wendling married Jeffrey Holcomb on 05 May 1997.

Tracy and Jeff's little girl is Alexandra Nocel 23 Dec. 1995 in Bond Co., IL.

The girls married brothers in outdoor ceremonies in Perry Co., IL.



## WEST-RAGLAND

Edgar I. West (born 09 January 1885; died 19 December 1927) and Essie P. Ragland (born 31 July 1890; died 28 April 1982) were born, educated and lived in the Tamaroa community. At Thanksgiving 1911, Essie and Ed traveled by train to the Homer Ragland (Essie's brother) residence in Mattoon, Illinois.

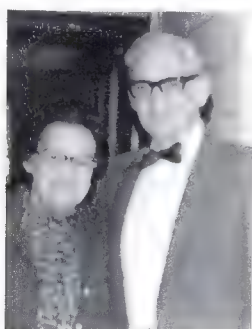


Essie P. (Ragland) West and Edgar I. West 1911.

On 30 November 1911 Ed and Essie were married in Charleston, Illinois. They were accompanied by Homer and Pearl Ragland. Ed was a businessman. He owned Ed's Service Station and had the first Ford dealership in the community. Essie was a graduate of Southern Illinois University Normal in Carbondale and taught school before working with her husband in the family business. Their only child, Edgar Warren "Barney" West, was born 05 January 1913.

## WEST-VANCE

Edgar Warren "Barney" West (born 05 January 1913; died 22 March 1996), the only child of Edgar Irvin West (09 January 1885; 19 December 1927) and Essie Pearl Ragland (born 31 July 1890; died 28 April 1982), was born east of Tamaroa. He attended the Tamaroa schools and Du Quoin Township High School his senior year. Active in sports, he received the Tri County Most Valuable Player Award in 1929. After high school he worked for Davies DX, then as a salesman for the Du Quoin Packing Company and Coca Cola Bottling Company.



Thelma Estella (Vance) and Edgar Warren "Barney" West.

In 1937, while working in Terre Haute, Indiana, he met and married Thelma Estella Vance on 28 August 1937. Thelma (born 07 April 1911; died 14 March 1984) was the eldest child and only daughter of Grover Uriah Vance (born 29 August 1888; died 14 February 1955) and Maude W. Reese (born 09 March 1889; died 07 April 1927). Thelma was educated in the Terre Haute school system, graduating from Garfield High. She was employed

as sales lady for Meis Department Store and then a receptionist and telephone operator for the American Can Company in Terre Haute. Later, she was a telephone operator for the Tamaroa Telephone Company and then a tester for Decca Records at Pinckneyville.

Barney and Thelma had two daughters: Mrs. Leon (Carolyn Kay, "C.Kay") Longshore (born 08 August 1940) of Du Quoin and Mrs. George (Rita Jill, "Jill") Lawrence (born 09 October 1947) of New Athens.

Later, in 1937, they opened a business in Tamaroa. Called "Barney's", it was a combination service station, appliance/L.P. gas center, dine and dance. The jitterbug and jukebox were popular and this was a favorite spot with teenagers. They consumed an average of 25 cases of Coca-Cola daily. On 03 March 1943 a fire completely destroyed the business. The community did not have a fire department.

Later, Barney and four other citizens (Dr. Enoch Marlow, Herbert Adcock, Carl Jones and David Huggins) signed a note and purchased the first fire truck, an open cab model, nicknamed "Whoopy." An active volunteer fire department was organized and the truck was housed in his service station until their department was built. Barney served as fire chief for many years.

A small station was opened later in 1943 and the present building was constructed in 1951. Barney also worked for the Pyramid Mine as a haulage truck driver until the mine was sold in 1951.

He assisted in organizing the Greater Egyptian Baseball League, which was active in Southern Illinois. A member of the Tamaroa Merchants ball team, Barney was instrumental in constructing a lighted baseball field in Tamaroa. This was one of the first lighted fields in Southern Illinois. The Merchants were host to several major league barnstorming teams. The first pitch thrown in the newly lighted park was by Grover Cleveland Alexander, then with the champion St. Louis Cardinals. The lighted system was later sold to the Du Quoin Lions for their field.

In 1961, Barney was appointed Perry County Coroner to finish that term. He was elected to three more terms. In 1970 he became President of the Coroners Association for the State of Illinois. He has served as a member of the Advisory Board of Necropsy Service, the Highway 51 Association and Greater Egyptian Regional Criminal Justice Planning Advisory Board.

After an unsuccessful bid for State Representative in 1972, he worked as project director for Perry County and as investigator for the Sheriff's Department and the State's Attorney.

In 1974 he became a special agent for the State Fire Marshall's Office working the Arson Division. During his ten-year tenure he investigated over 1500 fires in the southern 27 counties of Illinois. He retired at age 71 because of a new law forcing the investigators to carry guns. That year he filed a petition and was elected coroner of Perry County for four years; at the end of the term he retired. After retirement he remained actively interested in politics and in his hometown community of Tamaroa.

West's great-great grandfather, Dempsey Odum, was an elected Representative from Williamson County and served with Mr. Lincoln at Vandalia. Barney carried on the family tradition of wearing bow ties.

The family belongs to the Baptist faith. Deceased members of the West family are buried in the Tamaroa City Cemetery. Vance family members are interred at Highland Lawn, Terre Haute, Indiana.

## WHITE-FRED

Barbara Dianne Fred was born 29 January 1941 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Elmer Fount Fred and Lillian Fay Dasher. Dianne married Stanley "Stan" Earl White 09 December 1961 in Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois by the Justice of the Peace. Stan was born 08 December 1940 in Reno, Bond County, Illinois, son of Victor Allen White and Nora Louise Brewer. Victor and Nora lived in Sorento, Illinois. Nora was born on 29 January 1917 in Bond County, Illinois and died 15 December 1988 in Bond County. Victor was born on 04 May 1913 in Bond County and died 03 July 1990 in Bond County.



Stan and Dianne White.

The children of Stanley and Dianne Fred White are: Stanley Kent White, born 20 September 1962 Du Quoin; Denise Danielle White, born 18 December 1963 Du Quoin; Anthony Keith "Tony" White, born 20 June 1968, who married Regina Marie DuBord on 03 September 1995 in Tustin, California aboard a yacht named "Lady Hornflower"; Daniel Kirk White, born 20 December 1971 Springfield, Sangamon County, Illinois; and Jason Kyle White, born 12 July 1975 in Springfield.

Stan and Dianne live in Sparta, Illinois where Stan has worked for Mad Pricer supermarket as Head Meat Cutter since 1983. Stan and Dianne's hobbies include raising and taking care of horses and miniature horses. They attend church in Chester, Illinois.

Stanley Kent White was born 20 September 1962 in Du Quoin. He married first Beth Ann Hammond 03 April 1981, second Debra Jean Gaines, and third Lora Lynn Foster 07 July 1995. Kent and Beth have a daughter, Krista Ann White, born 15 July 1983. Kent and Lora have two children: Kortnie Rose White, born 01 December 1990, and Kyle Jordan White, born 05 May 1993.

Denise Danielle White was born 18 December 1963 in Du Quoin. She married first Bashar Kafeeti 22 April 1987 and second Bill Erwin Shields. Denise and Mark Klein have a son, Jeremy Stanley White, born 06 June 1983 in Texas. Denise and Bill have two daughters: Heather Jean Shields, born 03 July 1993, and Tiffany Dianne Shields, born 20 July 1994. Submitted by Stan and Dianne (Fred) White.

## WILD-OWENS

Effie Owens, born 06 May 1893 at Pinckneyville, the second child of George Alfred



and Nancy C. Ahlers Owens, was married 12 November 1914 at Pinckneyville to William Wild, born 08 October 1891 at Pinckneyville, son of Fred and Eleanore Woll Wild. William was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul Evangelical Church in Pinckneyville. Effie was also confirmed there. They had three children: Carl Walter, Harold James, and Mildred Elenora who were all also baptized and confirmed at St. Paul. William died 20 November 1944 at Pinckneyville and Effie died 17 September 1970 at Pinckneyville. Both are buried in Mueller Hill Cemetery, Pinckneyville (see Owens-Ahlers history).

Carl, born 27 September 1915 at Pinckneyville, was married 13 May 1934 at Murphysboro to Irene Dry, born 04 January 1917 at St. Louis, Missouri, daughter of Henry and Elva Wynn Dry. They have three children: Ronald, Danny, and Barbara Jill.

Ronald, born 13 December 1936 at Pinckneyville, was married 26 April 1958 at Cuba, Illinois to Joyce E. Williamson, born 08 March 1940 at Bushnell, Illinois, daughter of Joe and Dorothy Harn Williamson. They had two sons: Rodney Alan, born 20 April 1959, and Ronald Todd, born 23 April 1960, both at Canton, Illinois. Ronald and Joyce were divorced in April 1961.

Danny, born 09 August 1938 at Pinckneyville, was married 22 March 1959 at Cuba, Illinois to S. Kay Walters, born 17 October 1938 at Smithfield, Illinois, daughter of Russell and Fern Howater Walters. They have two children: Julie, born 06 February 1960, and Craig, born 08 June 1964, both at Canton, Illinois.

Barbara J., born 28 March 1950 at Canton, Illinois, was married 15 March 1968 at Canton, Illinois to Steve Reneau, born 22 February 1946 at Canton, son of Verle and Viola Thompson Reneau.

Harold J., born 30 December 1917 at Pinckneyville, was married 23 December 1944 at Pinckneyville to Dorothy Mae Allard, born 22 June 1920 at Vergennes, daughter of Carl and Lyla Wisely Allard. Harold and Dorothy had no children.

Mildred Elenora, born 18 September 1919 at Pinckneyville, was married 12 April 1939 at Chester to Maurice Paulus, born 12 April 1913 at Chester, son of Lawrence and Marnie Stoevers Paulus. They had two sons: Robert Allan, born 16 February 1940 and died 06 June 1953 at Chester, Illinois, buried in the Catholic Cemetery in Chester; and Donald Gerald, born 17 April 1944 at Chester. *Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt.*

## WILLIAMS-WHITE

Walter Williams (born 14 July 1844 Oxfordshire, England), son of Thomas and Lydia "Lucky" Williams, and his wife, Olive White (born 04 January 1839 Southall, England) daughter of Thomas and Ann Lovelle White, married in Middlesex County, England 06 August 1865, and shortly thereafter came to Battle Creek, Michigan and later settled in rural Du Quoin (Holden) north of town. Walter farmed in the Holden area as he had in England. From 1875 to 1903 he worked in the coal mines. His last position at the mines was as a mine manager.

Walter and Olive had seven children. Their two oldest children were born in Battle Creek, Michigan: Laura Olive (04 February 1866-19 March 1933) married Charles House on 17 July 1883; and Clara Stella (born 04 September 1868)

married Robert Dick on 08 December 1889. The remaining children were born near Du Quoin in the Holden area: Ernest Albert (29 June 1870-19 October 1938) married Alice Brayfield on 21 January 1892; Emerton John (born 06 May 1873) married Mary Wessler on 15 May 1898; Florence Ester (born 10 September 1876) married Grant Cruse on 13 April 1902; Ellen Bertha (05 June 1879-04 October 1928) married William Sizemore; and Beatrice May (born 21 May 1885) married William Erwin on 28 June 1908.



Walter and Olive (White) Williams.

Walter died of heart failure at age 69 on 16 November 1913. Olive died of senility and bronchitis at age 86 on 23 February 1925. *Submitted by Michael K. House, 2<sup>nd</sup> great grandson.*

## WILSON-JAMES

Samuel Wilson was born 15 November 1822 in Dixon, Dixon County, Tennessee, son of Willis and Mary (Nall) Wilson. He served three years as a Private in Company G of 110<sup>th</sup> Regiment, Illinois Volunteers and died 03 July 1906 in East St. Louis, Illinois at the age of 84.



Samuel and Margaret Wilson.

Samuel came to Illinois in 1852 and settled in the Pinckneyville area where he became a farmer. In Pinckneyville, on 06 March 1859, he married Margaret James, daughter of Thomas and Catherine (Null) James. Margaret was born four miles north of Pinckneyville on 04 August 1844 and died 14 January 1915 in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Samuel and Margaret lived most of their life in Perry County and raised eleven children: Mary Catherin 1859; John Thomas 1861; Nancy Ellen 1865; Sarah Euphia 1867; Francis Marion 1869; Sylvia Anna 1871; Martha Angelina 1873; Luella Viola 1875; William Jackson 1877; Eva Lillian 1880; and Henry Alva 1882.

Mary Catherine Wilson was born in Pinckneyville, 15 December 1859, and died on 03 August 1935 in Du Quoin, Illinois where she lived for more than 26 years. She married John Wesley McMillen 29 October 1874. John Wesley

McMillen was born in Clay County, Illinois, the son of William Isaac and Judy (Trail) McMillen, and came to Perry County when three years of age. John Wesley and Mary Catherine had seven children: Solomon 1877; Eva 1881; Nancy Ellen 1882; Rosa Belle 1885; Margaret Emaline 1889; William 1895 and George 1899. John Wesley was a farmer.

Margaret Emaline McMillen was born in Pinckneyville, Illinois on 18 March 1889 and died on 15 April 1971. In Pinckneyville, on 12 May 1909, she married George Washington Scarborough. George was born 13 January 1886 in Ewing, Franklin County, Illinois, son of John and Arilla (Wells) Scarborough. He died 15 September 1923 in a mining accident. They had three children: Alma Viola 1910; Bonnie 1912; and Harry 1915.

Alma Viola Scarborough was born in Matthews, Illinois on 02 March 1910 and died on 05 May 1995 in Du Quoin. In Pinckneyville, on 17 May 1928, she married Frederick Augustus Knight.

Fred Knight was born in St. Johns, Illinois on 16 September 1899, son of Harry Griffin and Louisa Mae (Zoeller) Knight, and died 13 December 1975 in Du Quoin. Fred and Alma had two children: Fred Sidney 30 October 1933 and Shirley Ann 24 March 1935. Frederick Knight was a coal miner.

Shirley Ann Knight was born in St. Johns, Illinois on 24 March 1935, and in Du Quoin, 30 May 1953, she married Derrell Gene Degenhardt. Derrell Degenhardt was born 01 June 1933 in Carbondale, Illinois, son of Joe and Ruth (Danbury) Degenhardt. Derrell and Shirley have three children: Diana Sue 12 June 1954; Cathryn Elaine 07 January 1957; and Stephen Wayne 05 November 1964. *Submitted by Shirley Knight Degenhardt.*

## WILSON-LAY

George Bailey (born 15 August 1877 Sunfield) married Mary Catherine Terry (born 12 July 1882), youngest child of Marion and Mahalia Jones Terry, on 12 November 1899. George died 08 November 1960 and Mary died 06 June 1945, both in Sunfield, and both are buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery. To this union five children were born: Violet (Bailey) O'Keefe, Lavern Dale "Twee" Bailey, Norma Dean (Bailey) Lay. Two sons, Vallie and Earl, died in infancy. George and Mary Bailey lived their married life in the white house west across the street from the Sunfield Methodist Church.

Violet (27 August 1900-22 December 1983) married Thomas O'Keefe (31 January 1896-15 April 1975) on 21 August 1921. They were the parents of June Eileen (O'Keefe) Gans (born 16 August 1922 Sunfield) who married Dr. Fred Gans. June is a registered nurse, mother of ten, and has lived in Salina, Kansas most of her married life; Mary Jane (O'Keefe) Axley (born 05 June 1924 Sunfield) who married Junior Axley and lives in Phoenix, Arizona. Mary Jane has one daughter, Janet Kay Axley Coombs; Maurice Glenn O'Keefe (born 02 December 1934 Carbondale) who married Betty Jackson (born 04 May 1936) on 07 August 1954. They have three daughters: Cheryl Jane Hammel (born 14 July 1957), Shawn Maureen Kellerman (born 30 October 1959), and Kelley Jean Kochman (born 26 June 1969). Maurice "Moe" is a retired coal miner and Betty is a housewife, not retired.



Lavern Dale "Twee" Bailey (29 August 1914 Sunfield-28 September 1994 Grand Tower, Illinois) married Bernice Bishop (18 August 1915 Wickliffe, Kentucky-24 November 1935), daughter of Jack and Addie Lemmon Bishop. They were the parents of Naomi Dot Bailey Cooper (born 19 March 1937), Mary Ellen "Punkin" Bailey Roach (born 15 June 1939), George Randolph Bailey (Sherry Longshore) (born 27 May 1942), and James Earl Bailey (Diane Endres) (born 25 January 1948)—all children were born in Perry County.



(back) Courtney Mason, Karen Mason Wilson, Gregory Wilson, Joshua Wilson, (front) Dane Mason, Tayler Rea Wilson, Lee Ellen Wilson, William Wilson, and Anna Ruth Wilson.

Norma Dean Bailey Lay (21 June 1923 DuQuoin-15 April 1965 Du Quoin) married Sivo Dee Lay (11 January 1904-14 January 1983) in Paducah, Kentucky on 16 September 1944. They were the parents of: Ronald Dean Lay (born 29 May 1945 Du Quoin) who married Nancy Oden on 08 July 1966; Lee Ellen Lay Wilson (born 29 August 1948 San Rafael, California) who married William Russell Wilson (born 22 July 1947), son of Louis and Nina Brown Wilson, in Du Quoin on 22 July 1965. Ronnie and Nancy are the parents of Timothy Dean Lay (born 30 October 1967), Andrea Kay Lay Maquire (born 19 January 1971), and Luke Oden Lay (born 11 June 1979). Bill and Lee are the parents of Gregory William Wilson (born 08 March 1966 Du Quoin) married Karen Mason 10 March 1990; Anna Ruth Wilson (born 15 July 1971 Du Quoin); and Joshua Richard (born 18 October 1978 Du Quoin).

Norma Dean was a registered nurse and kind person. Her daughter, Lee Ellen, is also a registered nurse and has worked at Marshall Browning Hospital since July 1990 and has her mother's temperament. Bill has been a coal miner at Arch of Illinois Captain Mine since October 1970. Greg works for Prudential and Karen works at Kroger. Greg and Karen are the parents of Courtney and Dane Mason and Tayler Rea Wilson. Anna works as an accountant in Minnesota. Joshua is a student at John A. Logan College and works for Martin's Farm Fresh in Du Quoin.

Submitted by Wilma Walker, assisted by Bernice Bailey, Betty O'Keefe, George Bailey Jr., and Lee Ellen Wilson.

## WISLEDER-KOONTZ

William Wisleder, son of Willie Wisleder who was a cooper by trade and contracted to build wooden water tanks for railroads as they extended west. His fate is unknown. Son, William Wisleder was often called "William Collins" because he had two half-brothers, Eb and Ira Collins.

Tena Koontz Wisleder, daughter of Mary (Kelly) and Frederick Koontz (Kunz), the blacksmith in Conant (fate, a horse he was shoeing sat down on him), has three sisters: Rose Gahr, Elza Pointon, and Rowena Johnson; and two brother: Buzz and William Koontz.



Dean and Sarah Wisleder.

This union had one child, Dean Elmo Wisleder, who graduated from Du Quoin Township High School in 1927, was an electrical engineer during World War II when he was a member of the Manhattan Project (atomic bomb) team. In 1980 Dean retired from the State of Illinois Department of Transportation as Chief Acoustical Engineer.

On 16 September 1939, Dean and Sarah Grace Truxal of Wilksburg, Pennsylvania were married. Sarah, a graduate from Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio, retired as a school teacher in Rochester, Illinois. This union produced three sons and one daughter. At this writing: Carole Gay Chew, Divernon, Illinois, is an associate editor for a publisher of manuals of Illinois Law, part-time teacher at Lincoln Land College and a housewife; Dean Edward, Springfield, Illinois, is a computer engineer for the Illinois State Police Department; Robert William, Hingham, Massachusetts, is a Research and Special Programs Administrator for the United States Department of Transportation; Lloyd Koontz, Crete, Illinois, teaches Industrial Arts in area high schools.

The name Wisleder is a contraction of the Austrian words Vis Leder, meaning white leader. Submitted by Dean and Sarah Wisleder.

## WOLFE-KILLINGSWORTH-BOWLIN

Thomas Wolf/Wolfe was born 21 October 1809 and died 12 July 1877 in Perry County, Illinois. His wife, Edney Boling/Bowlin was born 04 January 1810 in Rockingham City, North Carolina. They were married December 1829 in Williamson County, Tennessee. Thomas and Edney both died in Perry County, Illinois and are buried at the Old Du Quoin Cemetery.

Edney's parents are Rodney Bowlin, born 19 November 1784 in Henry County, Virginia. Tricy Harris was born 10 June 1791 in Rockingham County, Virginia and died 20 June 1878 and is buried in Old Du Quoin Cemetery. Rodney was a descendant of Pochantas of Virginia.

The children of Rodney and Tricy were: William Bowlin who was born in 1831 and died on 19 January 1876 and is buried in the Old Du Quoin Cemetery. His wife, Louisa Elizabeth Buckley was born 23 July 1841 and died 29 September 1921. They were married 14 March 1858 in Perry County, Illinois; Rodney was born

10 February 1833 and died 13 February 1855 and is buried in the Old Campbell Cemetery; David was born 08 January 1839 and died December 1864 and is buried in the Old Campbell Cemetery. David's wife, Sarah Burk, was born in 1840; Elizabeth was born in 1842 and married Anderson Moss 27 September 1857 in Perry County, Illinois; John was born in 1848 and died in 1860. John is buried in the Du Quoin IOOF Cemetery; Thomas was born 23 December 1852 and died 07 May 1926 and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery. Thomas married Elizabeth Reid.



Louisa Killingsworth Wolfe.

David Bowlin and Sarah Burk had four children. William was born 07 October 1857 and died 01 April 1888. He married Mary Shink who was born in 1861. They married on 06 February 1879 in Perry County, Illinois. Rodney was born 13 January 1859 and died 27 April 1911. Rodney's wife, Louisa S. Killingsworth, was born 14 March 1862 and died 21 March 1905. Rodney and Louisa are buried in the Nine Mile Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois. Josephine was born in 1859 and married Robert Heape. Willard was born 11 December 1862.

Louisa Killingsworth's parents are Pleasant, who was born 01 December 1828 and died 08 June 1898 in Perry County, Illinois, and Sarah E. Packerson, born 15 June 1834 in Kentucky. Sarah died 01 August 1869. Pleasant and Sarah were married 13 February 1856 in Perry County, Illinois. Rodney and Louisa's children were: Myrtle was born 1887 and married Charles Swafford, Mr. Williams, and Lee Opp; Nora was born 04 September 1888, died 08 July 1969, and married Wilford Bird (see Bird/Wolfe history); Herbert was born 13 February 1893, died 26 November 1957, and married Sarah Ellen Craig who was born in 1899 and died 26 June 1987; and Gertrude was born 05 March 1895, died 04 November 1977, and married Jacob Bird, who was born 04 December 1888 and died 26 August 1968, on 10 December 1911 in Perry County.

Louisa Killingsworth's grandparents were William R. Killingsworth, born about 1776 in Guilford County, North Carolina, and Margaret Shelked, born in 1800. They married 21 November 1821 in Guilford County, North Carolina. Pleasant was the son of a Cherokee Indian and white trader. Submitted by Marie Bird Hutchings.

## WOODSIDES-BISHOP

Charles Elmer Woodsides was the great, great, grandson of Revolutionary War Patriot, Samuel Cunningham Woodside I. Charles was born 12 November 1870 in Washington County, Illinois and died 13 September 1932 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. He married Susan M.



Bishop on 09 September 1894 in Perry County, Illinois. She was born 23 December 1876 in Perry County, Illinois, the daughter of Andrew Jackson Bishop and Lucinda Jane Rhodes, and died 08 November 1917 in Perry County, Illinois. They had children Billie, Bertha, Charles William, Carl Raymond, and Madaline.

Carl Raymond Woodside was born 04 October 1907 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and died 29 April 1986 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. He married Cora Elmina Wright, daughter of Samuel McCager Wright and Martha Emmarenthy Sears, on 29 October 1927 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois. She was born 11 February 1906 in Saline County, Illinois and died 30 August 1980 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Cora was first married to Ira Collins in 1923 and had daughter, Betty June. Cora and Carl had children Charles Edward, Billie Raymond, Donald Wayne, and Gerald Stanford.

Charles Edward Woodside was born 03 March 1928 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois and died 20 January 1991 in Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois. He married Doris Lorraine Hutchings, daughter of Thomas Harvey Hutchings and Dollie Ann Knapp, on 28 June 1945 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois. Doris was born 02 December 1929 in Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois. They had children Galen Van and Sheryl Coranna.

Galen Van Woodside was born 12 August 1946 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. He married Judith Ann Brauer on 21 August 1965 in Carbondale, Jackson County, Illinois. Judy was born 01 August 1948 in Jackson County, Illinois. She is the daughter of Peter Brauer and Ruth Endicott. Galen and Judy adopted two daughters, Jennifer Jill, born 14 June 1973, and Courtney Lyn, born 19 August 1978. Jennifer Jill married Steven Dennis Harsy, the son of Dennis Harsy and Margaret Moody, on 19 March 1995 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois.

Sheryl Coranna Woodside was born 09 September 1949 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She married Paul Dean Stowers on 23 September 1967 in Pinckneyville, Perry County, Illinois. Paul, the son of Herschel Herman Stowers and Edna Cora Morris, was born 22 June 1940 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. They have children Paul Edward, born 18 December 1968 in Du Quoin, and Shelly Ann, born 05 October 1976 in Du Quoin.

## WOODSIDE-BROWN

James Woodside migrated to Perry County, Illinois from Livingston County, Kentucky about 1832. Siblings, Robert, John J., Samuel Cunningham II, Mary, Martha, and Elizabeth also migrated to Illinois between 1828-1844. Siblings David, Nancy, and Sarah remained in Kentucky. They were the children of Samuel Cunningham and Jane/Jennet Woodside. Samuel Cunningham Woodside I, born circa 1734 in Ireland and died 22 July 1819 in Livingston County, Kentucky, migrated from Ireland to South Carolina in 1768. He served as a Patriot in the Revolutionary War by providing food for the militia. Jane/Jennet was born circa 1751 and died after 1837 in Illinois.

James Woodside was born circa 1787 in South Carolina and died 15 September 1834 in Perry County, Illinois. James built a watermill on Beaucoup Creek at a crossing called "Woodside Ford" south of Pinckneyville. He married Mary

Ann Brown on 14 February 1811 in Caldwell County, Kentucky. She was the daughter of William Brown and Jennet Smith. They had children Mary Ann and Samiel Morrow. James married second Nancy Baugher on 10 April 1821 in Smithland, Livingston County, Kentucky. She was born circa 1798 in North Carolina and died after 1844 in Randolph County, Illinois. They had children James M., Susannah Jane, Robert John, William King, and Mary Katherine.

James M. Woodside was born circa 1822 in Livingston County, Kentucky and died 29 October 1897 in Perry County, Illinois. He served in the Civil War. He married Sarah Jane McCoy on 27 February 1844 in Washington County, Illinois. She was born circa 1825 in Tennessee and died 29 March 1878 in Washington County, Illinois. Sarah was the daughter of Hardy McCoy and Louisa Thorton. James M. and Sarah had children Hardy McCoy, Amanda Jane, James Carl, Needham, Louise Susan, Nancy Ann, Mary Elizabeth, and William Francis.

Hardy McCoy Woodside was born 20 December 1846 in Washington County, Illinois and died 16 September 1934 in Perry County, Illinois. He married Mary Emaline Norris on 10 June 1869 in Washington County, Illinois. She was born April 1854 in Washington County, Illinois and died in 1899 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Mary Emaline was the daughter of Hugh Sanford and Mary Norris. They had children Charles Elmer, Ida J., William Guy, James Hardy, Viola "Ollie", and Grace Mary. Hardy married second Mrs. Mary E. (Ramsey) Swallows on 27 July 1899 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. There were no children from this marriage. Hardy and his sons worked in the coal mines in and around Du Quoin in the early 1900s.

## WOODSIDE-HILL

Robert Woodside, son of Samuel Woodside, with his wife, Ann Hill, and eight children, came from Kentucky to Perry County, Illinois in 1829.

Robert, who was born in South Carolina, 07 February 1772, settled at Four Mile Prairie, south of Pinckneyville. He lived in Perry County until his death, 05 October 1842. Robert was a farmer and maker of hats. In Kentucky he had been surveyor of land and Justice of Peace, authorized to perform marriages. The first school in Perry County was near his home at Four Mile Prairie.

Robert's oldest daughter, Mary Jane, who married William Armstrong in Kentucky, came with her husband and oldest children, Nancy Jane, born 1825 and Robert W., born 1827. Their other children, Martha Ann 1829, Alexander P. 1831, William Stewart 1833, Thomas Allen 1836, James Logan 1838, Mary Hadassa 1841, and Elizabeth Emma 1843, were all born in Perry County.

Robert's other children were: Jinny, married in Perry County 28 February 1832 Thomas Washington Armstrong, son of Alexander and Nancy Armstrong. Thomas belonged to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Regiment of Illinois Volunteers, Company K and served as Captain in the Mexican War. Their children were John Calvin, 1832, Thomas Washington, 12 February 1837, Samuel Preston, May 1839, Agnes Ann, October 1841, and Martin L., February 1844.

Elizabeth married Abner Newton Milligan 10 April 1834 in Perry County. Their children were Mary J. 1836, John C. 1838, William Chalmer 20

March 1839, and Agnes 11 March 1846. Elizabeth married, second, John N. Graham, 20 April 1852.

Agnes, called Nancy, married John Steele, son of James Steele and Jennet Smith, 26 January 1830, in Pinckneyville. Their children were Margaret A., 17 September 1831, died young; John P., 03 January 1833, died young; Robert, 16 July 1834; Mary Jane, 28 February 1837; Cyrus Jackson, 16 January 1841; George Burder, 27 January 1843; John Scott, 12 December 1844; Erben Cassadore, 05 May 1847; and James Henderson, 10 February 1849.

John Morrow Woodside married Lucinda Evaline Pettit 10 December 1835 in Perry County. Their children were Louisa Ann, 1836; Robert N., 1838; Rachel, 1840; Joseph Thompson, 1842; Martha, 1843; David James, 1844; Thomas Pressley, 1846; Ephraim Milton, 1848; Lucinda E., 1848; John C., 1850; James M.; William S.; John A.; and Jonathan D.

Margaret Ann married James Steele Wilson, son of Alex Wilson, 09 November 1837, in Perry County. They had a daughter, Margaret Ann.

Ephraim Milton Woodside married Louisa L. Baird, 19 March 1846. She died in 1848. He married, second, Mary Jane Maxwell, 16 April 1850 in Randolph County. Their children were Catherine Ann, 01 May 1851; Robert Morgan, 26 February 1853; Harriet Velona, 08 June 1854; Mary Susan, 14 February 1856; John Clark, 04 April 1858; Abraham Lincoln, 26 October 1860; and Albert Lyman, 04 July 1865.

Many descendants of Robert Woodside and his brothers, James, Samuel, and John, and sisters, Martha, Sarah and Elizabeth, still live in Illinois. Brother David returned to Kentucky, sister Nancy did not marry, and Mary's family is unknown.

## WOOTTON-MATTINGLY

Charles R. Wootton was born 27 December 1882 in Owensboro, Daviess County, Kentucky, and died 28 October 1952. Charles was the son of Richard I. Wootton and Jennie E. Higdon, both from Kentucky. He married Gertrude "Cookie" Emma Mattingly 04 October 1899 in Litchfield, Kentucky, daughter of Eli Marion Mattingly and Margaret Virginia Mercer. Gertrude Emma was born 05 December 1882 in Litchfield, Kentucky.



Charles R. and Gertrude Emma (Mattingly) Wootton.

Children of Charles and Gertrude Wootton are: Clara Lee (02 August 1900 Louisville or Owenboro, Kentucky-circa 1962); Margaret Jane (31 December 1907 Louisville, Kentucky-03 May 1984 Du Quoin, IL) buried at Sunset Memorial Park in Du Quoin; Thomas "Tommy" Marion (17 November 1911 Louisville, Kentucky-04 March 1954 Joliet, Illinois); and Charles Elwood (27 October 1913-02 December 1971 Du Quoin).



Her obituary reads: Mrs. Gertrude E. Wootton, 81, of 3 East North Street, co-proprietor of Wootton Photography Studio, which was founded in 1938 and located in Du Quoin, died 06 September 1964 at Marshall Browning Hospital of a brief illness. She was a resident of Du Quoin for 40 years and a member of the First Baptist Church. She is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Raymond (Margaret Jane Wootton) Fischer, Du Quoin; a son, Charles Elwood Wootton, Du Quoin; a sister, Mrs. Palastine (Mattingly) Johnson, Tampa, Florida. She is buried in Sunset Memorial Park, Perry County, Illinois. Gertrude Wootton was well known for her hand painted pictures. She would add color to the black and white photographs by hand painting them.

Charles Elwood Wootton lived in Du Quoin and never married. Elwood joined the Navy on Monday after Pearl Harbor on Sunday and was on the Saratoga during World War II.

Richard I. Wootton was born 17 February 1839 in Spencer County, Kentucky. Richard married Jennie E. Higdon 28 March 1864 in Owensboro, Kentucky, born in 1841. Richard's parents were William H. Wootton was born 25 March 1811 in Native of Nelson County, Kentucky. William married Rosalia Coomes or Coorues.

Both William H. and Rosalia (Coorues) Wootton moved to Nelson County, Kentucky when Richard I. Wootton was quite young. Richard was the second of ten children. Richard remained in Nelson County until 1859, when he came to Daviess County, Kentucky. He enlisted in Company B, Third Kentucky Cavalry, and served three years and ten months. After the war, he worked at the printer's trade till 1880, when he was appointed Government Storekeeper. Mr. Wootton was a member of the Catholic Church and of the Catholic Knights of America. He belonged to Number 3, Department of Kentucky, G.A.R. Source: "History of Daviess County", Kentucky 1883, page 827.

The children of Richard Wootton and Jennie Higdon are: Clara R. (born 25 September 1870); John T. (born 01 October 1873); Alfred C. (born 01 August 1876); Charles R. (born 27 December 1882), all born in Owensboro, Kentucky.

## WRIGHT-KUHNERT

Of the many people born in and around Perry County who bear the name "Wright", seven were born to and raised by Charles L. and Emma Wright. There was a "saying" in that branch of the Wright family, "When you're Wright, you can't be wrong." Of course, that was only for fun; and their's was, indeed, a "fun-filled" family.

Charles Luther Wright and Emma Lois Kuhnert were married in November 1906. He was 27, and she was one month past 16. When someone teased Charlie, as he was always called, about "robbing the cradle", he was quick to inform them that, "She is the only woman in the world for me, and I'll marry her if I have to push her down the isle in a baby carriage". Their marriage endured for nearly 60 years, until death separated them when Charlie died in 1965. Emma lived for another seven years, until 1972, but seemed, really, to be only "half alive" without her life-mate.

Charlie's parents were Jeemiah Nathaniel "Nun" Wright and Lydia Culley Wright. Emma's parents were Charley Kuhnert and Augusta Sitchlough Kuhnert. Augusta was born in

Hoengrapha, Germany. She came to America as a teenager in 1867 and, one year later, married Charley Kuhnert. Emma was the youngest of their twelve children, and her father died when she was only eighteen months old.



Taken in November 1956 on the occasion of Charles L. and Emma Lois Wright's 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary—(front) Charles Richard, Charles Luther (father), Emma Lois (Kuhnert) (mother), Patricia Wright Reidelberger, (back) Harry Gerald, Luther Lee, Less Franklin, Floyd Jerry, and Elmer Ray.

As already stated, Charlie and Emma's marriage produced seven children. First, they had six sons. Elmer Ray married Kathleen Brown and had two children, Jennie Marie and Steven Ray. Luther Lee married Wilma Giacomo and had six children: Lloyd Lee, Gladys Faye, Jackie Murrell, Wanda Eloyse, Jimmy Roger, and Gary Don. Charles Richard married Virgie Benedict and had five children: Betty Lou, Barbara Anne, Carolyn Sue, Judy Kaye, and Richard Dean. Harry Gerald married Ruby Skeen and had one child, Geraldine. Floyd Jerry married Thyra Mae Gieser and three children: Floyd Eugene, Jimmie Edward, and Gerald Lee. Less Franklin married Clara Mildred "Sue" Ellinger and had three children: Less Patrick, Michael Charles, and Kelly Shaun. Michael was killed in an automobile accident at age 21. Charlie and Emma finally had one daughter, Patricia. She married Reidelberger and had three children: David Ray, Randy Bill, and Sheila Rene'.

In May 1988, only two of the original seven siblings (Harry and Patricia), and only four of the original seven spouses (Kathleen, Wilma, Ruby, and Mae) remained alive. Several of the sons lost children in infancy, but those names are not recorded inasmuch as the dates of the births and deaths and other details are not easily available. All of the twenty-two grandchildren as listed are adults, almost all are married with children, many with grandchildren—the number unknown to the author, since this branch of the Wright Family Tree has spread to the four corners of our nation. Many of the great-grandchildren live far, far away, and have not kept in close contact with the family. Nevertheless, they are family—claimed and loved. It is, therefore, the sincere wish for each of them that they might know the same type of love—for God and for their families as we shared and passed down to their children by their great grandparents, Charles and Emma Wright. Submitted by Pat Wright Reidelberger.

## WYLIE-COHN

John Charles Wylie (born 20 July 1922 Swanwick, Illinois) is the second of nine children of Charles Theodore and Alta May (Guy) Wylie. Paternal grandparents were William Theodore

Wylie and Nancy Louvica (Woodside) Wylie from the Swanwick area, the Grandcote Area. Maternal grandparents were Albert Burton Guy and Sarah Jane (Shook) Guy from the rural Swanwick area. Charles Wylie was a carpenter and salesman of Watkins Products and farmer. Alta was a homemaker who made all the bread and canned food from the family garden. Albert Guy was a farmer and Sarah Jane a homemaker. All of the above are deceased and buried in Swanwick Bethel Cemetery. John died 14 April 1985.



John Charles and Doris Ruth (Cohen) Wylie.

John Charles Wylie married Doris Ruth Cohen while in the military. Children are David Harlan Cohen (adopted), John Theodore Wylie, Margaret May and Stephanie Christine Kay. John Theodore has two daughters, Sarah Elizabeth and Jessica. Stephanie is married to Mark Snell and has a daughter, Olivia. John Theodore Wylie lives in Florida. John Charles Wylie and Doris Ruth were divorced. He later married Sandra, daughter of Alma Summerfelt of Coulterville.

John Charles Wylie enlisted in the Air Force, 17 November 1942, and went overseas in December 1943. He served with the 111<sup>th</sup> Army Airways Communications System in North Africa for two years. His decorations and citations include one service stripe, four overseas service bars, American Campaign medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Theater ribbon, good conduct medal, World War II Victory medal, and distinguished service medal.

The above decorations were earned as of his honorable discharge from the United States Army Air forces on 18 December 1945 at Camp Grant, Rockford, Illinois.

John later re-enlisted and served a total of 32 years in the Armed Services. After retiring out of the service, John was employed in a Florida Post Office for several years, later transferred to East St. Louis Post Office. He became diabetic, later contracted pneumonia, and was diagnosed with cancer at Scott Air Force Base Hospital, Belleville, Illinois. He died a short time later. Submitted by Ruby Marie Wylie Grubb.

## WYLIE-GUY

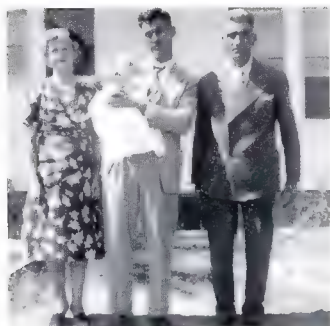
Charles Theodore Wylie (13 May 1896-19 September 1960) and Alta May Guy (24 December 1901-06 July 1988) were married in Pinckneyville, Illinois 23 June 1920. His father was William Theodore Wylie (1851-19—). His mother was Nancy Luvica Woodside 13 September 1859-13 July 1935). Alta's father was Albert Burton Guy (02 June 1857-03 March 1930). Her mother was Sarah Jane Shook (24 December 1871-07 September 1908).

Children born to this marriage were Clara Louise, John Charles, Anna May, Ruby Marie,



Mildred Evelyn, Nellie Marilyn, Margaret, Wilma Kathryn, William Albert Donald, and Sandra Jane Wylie.

Alta had one brother, Albert Roy Guy, and a half-sister, Clara Ardella Malott.



Alta Wylie, son John C. Wylie holding John Theodore Wylie, his son, and Charles Theodore Wylie of North Swanwick.

Charles' brothers and sisters were George Renric, David Samuel, William John, Martha Deliah, Margaret Evelyn, Ira James, Robert Talmadge, Sarah Jane and Mary Jane, Twins, and Susan Luvica Wylie. All of the above have been laid to rest, most in the Swanwick Bethel Cemetery, Swanwick, Illinois.

## YANCEY-BRIDGEWATER

John H. Yancey was born about 1834 in Williamson County, Illinois, and died 20 March 1864 in Vicksburg, Mississippi, son of William R. Yancey and Rachel Duncan. John married Margaret Evans Bridgewater, 1 February 1855 in Perry County, Illinois, daughter of Andrew and Rebecca Bridgewater. Margaret Evans Bridgewater was born 30 June 1837 in Adams County, Illinois, died 25 January 1913 and is buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. Margaret married (1) John H. Yancey on 1 February 1855 and (2) John Jeremiah in 1867.

Children of John Yancey and Margaret Bridgewater are 1) Rebecca Yancey, born 30 June 1857 in Williamson County or Madison County, Illinois; died 08 October 1934 in Du Quoin, Perry County, Illinois. She married Walter Stanhouse, Sr., 28 August 1876 in Perry County, Illinois; 2) Rachel Yancey, born 25 April 1859. Rachel married George Popham, Illinois and Rachel lived on Park Street in Du Quoin, Illinois. 3) Josephine Yancey, born 17 February 1860. Josephine died as a child; and 4) George A. Yancey, born 05 November 1861. George died as a child and is buried in IOOF Cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois.

John Yancey was a private in Company C, 81<sup>st</sup> Illinois Infantry per History of Randolph, Monroe and Perry Counties Illinois, published in 1883, page 223. Letters still in existence today were written by John Yancey to his wife Margaret E. (Bridgewater) Yancey while he was in Vicksburg, Mississippi during the Civil War.

John H. Yancey died from Small Pox and is buried in Vicksburg, Mississippi. John was absent without leave from the Civil War due to his wife being pregnant with George Yancey. People owed John money so he thought they would pay his wife, Rebecca, to help take care of her while he was in the war. The people did not give her the owed money and she was becoming destitute. So John left the Army and went to work in Belleville to

make money for his wife. He gave his wife money and the turned himself in to the Army. Rebecca never received a pension.

William R. Yancey was born about 1812 in Tennessee, son of Austin Yancey and Maria or Myran. He married Rachel Duncan about 1833, daughter of John Duncan and Lydia Spiller. William's middle name may be Riley. Children of William Yancey and Rachel Duncan are: 1) John H. Yancey born about 1834 in Williamson County, Illinois; 2) Mary A. Yancey; 3) James A. Yancey; 4) Eliza A. Yancey; 5) William R. Yancey; and 6) Parley P. Yancey.

The Yancey ancestry is available at the Church of the Latter Day Saints (LDS) in the Utah library. Dennis J. Yancey who works for the University of Miami, Florida has compiled a tremendous amount of Yancey genealogy information from many different Yancey researchers and had it microfilmed and gave it to the Latter Day Saints church. Most of John H. Yancey's ancestors can be found in the books/information compiled and published by Dennis J. Yancey. Submitted by Paul Kevin Commear.

## YEHLING-HENKE

Charles Yehling was born 16 September 1860 near Red Bud in Monroe County and came with his parents, Charles and Margareth (Schmolbach) Yehling, to St. Johns in the early 1870's. After helping on his father's farm, he was employed as a clerk in the Illinois Central Coal and Salt Company Store owned by William P. Halliday at St. Johns. In 1884 he married Catherine Henke, niece of prominent businessman Henry Henke, who brought her from Crollager Arohde, Nordrhein, Westphalia, Germany, where she was born in 1858, with her brothers and sisters after the death of both parents. While here Charles and Catherine had four children: Bertha M. (1885-1963), Albert Charles (1888-1909), William Walter (1890-1960) and Frank Henry (1892-1983).



Catherine and Charles Yehling with children: Albert, William, Frank & Bertha.

In 1889 Charles moved to the corner of Vine and Cole in Du Quoin. In the late 80's he became active in Sunday School work and spent the rest of his sojourn in Du Quoin actively engaged in starting and improving Sunday Schools throughout the county. During most of this time he served as President of the Perry County Sunday School Association. He started "Normal Institutes" to train teachers, Bible Institutes, promoted Sunday Schools in the "colored" churches and was Superintendent in his own German Evangelical Church. By the time he left Du Quoin he became well-known and often commended in the Du Quoin Tribune for his leadership and was being sought after to speak at conventions in neighboring

counties. In the course of these pursuits he was sometimes called upon to conduct church meetings, give Bible talks and occasionally lay-preach, which he did for Reverend Thomas Spilman, the Presbyterian pastor, when illness kept him from outside engagements. He purchased a portable organ and recruited singers to assist him in these services.



1884 wedding of Charles and Catherine Yehling.

He devoted himself to other causes, such as Temperance and Prohibition. He addressed a district WCTU Convention and was President of the local Prohibition club. On a cold night in January 1895 while he led a prohibition meeting in the schoolhouse at St. Johns his horse's brand new harness was cut to shreds, an event roundly condemned in the Tribune.

Charitable causes for the poor and orphans mobilized him. He collected books for the poorhouse, called an Almshouse, and held services there. When the Seminary building at Old Du Quoin was purchased and turned into the Van Arsdale Home for orphans he participated with gifts and services.

In July of 1898 Charles and his family moved to Anna, where he purchased a store of his own. He had worked 17 years in the St. Johns store, and as manager, probably 14 years. A daughter, Ruth, was born in 1900 and still lives in California. He moved to Kansas City to relieve son William's asthma and operated a store, as he did later in Sparta, Illinois and Tamaora. He founded Sparta Bottling Works with the help of his nephew, William R. Hayes (see Volume 1, page 142). Submitted by Donald R. Yehling

## YEHLING-ROETHE

Alvina A. Roethe born 08 January 1880 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, daughter of Johann Friedrich & Wilhelmina (Schmidt) Roethe, was first married 07 April 1901 at Pinckneyville to Gottlieb Yehling, born at Du Quoin, Illinois, son of Carl & Margareth (Schmolbach) Yehling. They had 2 children: Wilhelmina Margaretha & Anna Karoline Liesbeth before they were divorced. Gottlieb died 14 June 1947 survived by his wife Sarah (Bass) and is buried in IOOF Cemetery at Du Quoin.

Wilhelmina M. Yehling, born 10 February 1902 at Du Quoin, was married 10 March 1937 to William Jewell King, born 08 July 1890 at St. Joseph, Missouri, son of Wesley & Sarah Jane (Goiens) King. Minnie was baptized 20 September 1902 at Du Quoin and confirmed in 1916 at St. Paul Evangelical at Pinckneyville. They had no children and resided in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma where William died 28 February 1961 and Minnie died September 1987. They are both buried in Arlington Memorial Cemetery, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.



Anna Karoline Liesbeth Yehling, born 01 March 1903 at Pinckneyville, Illinois, was baptized 09 August 1903 at St. Johns Evangelical at Du Quoin and died 25 October 1904. She is buried in Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois.



*Alvina (Roethe)Yehling Wildgrube Wherli.*

Alvina A. Roethe was married second 25 June 1908 at Pinckneyville, Illinois to William Friedrich Wildgrube, born 14 June 1869, son of Ferdinand & Wilhelmina (Bergman) Wildgrube. They were divorced 06 February 1912. William died 12 August 1949 and is buried in St. Peters United Church of Christ Cemetery, Lenzburg, Illinois. About 1912, Alvina adopted Alvina Seligmiller, who became Alvina Roethe, who married Claude Tripp. Claude died 03 November 1973. Alvina Roethe was 3<sup>rd</sup> married 06 October 1921 to Rudolph Wherli, born 02 May 1880 in Switzerland. Alvina died 29 October 1922 at East St. Louis, Illinois and is buried in the Galum Cemetery, Pinckneyville, Illinois. This couple had no children. (See Roethe-Schmidt history.)

Submitted by Martha Mae Schmidt

## YEHLING-SCHMOLBACH

Charles (Karl) Yehling (Jehling) was born in 1836 in Alsenborn, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany and came to United States with his parents, Johann Friedrich (1800-1853) and Barbara (Weingart) Jehling (1801-), in 1842 and settled on a farm north of Red Bud, Monroe County, Illinois. His siblings, all born in Germany, were Louisa (1825-), Ludwig (1829-), Johann (1831-1876), Anna Maria (1834-), and Johann Friedrich (1837-). In 1855, at Horse Prairie, Monroe County, he married Margaret Schmolbach, of Freeburg, Illinois, who was born in 1838 in Darmstadt, Germany. In December 1870 the Belleville and Southern Illinois Railroad was completed to Du Quoin and the Du Quoin Tribune reported, even in January of the year, a large influx of Germans from St. Clair County. It is likely that the Yehlings were part of this movement when they settled in St. Johns in the early 1870's, probably with four of their six children, who were Mary J., Charles, Frederick, Sophia Louise, Louisa, and Gottlieb.

Mary J. married Thomas J. States in 1879. Charles (1860-1930) was born in Red Bud and married Catherine Henke in 1884. Frederick (1864-1936) was born in Red Bud and married Martha L. Knauer in 1887. Sophia, born 1868, married John George Wilson in 1891. Louisa, born 1872, married Ernest Christian Gessner in 1894. Gottlieb (1876-1947) married Alvira Roethe in 1901. All were married in Du Quoin.

Charles had a dairy farm on the Pettes property and advertised milk at five cents a quart delivered in Du Quoin. Afterward, he did general farming and later operated a restaurant in St. Johns.

He served in H Company, 149<sup>th</sup> Infantry Volunteers in the Civil War. He died in 1909 and is buried in the IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin. Margaret died in 1911 and is also buried there.

Another Yehling family moved to Du Quoin from Monroe County in the 1870's. This was Gottlieb (1845-1894) and Louise (Heuer)Yehling. He was a wagon-maker and had two sons, Fred "Fritz" (1873-1951) who continued the wagon-making business, and John (1869-1941) who operated a furniture-mortician business and a saloon. The Yehling name can still be seen North side of Main Street in Du Quoin. Charles and Gottlieb were related to a common ancestor in Germany, Gottlieb Jehling (1745-1820), a schoolmaster in Enkenbach, Rheinland-Pfalz, Germany. This ancestor was Charles' great-great grandfather and Gottlieb's great grandfather. Charles' father and Gottlieb's father and his three brothers emigrated from adjoining villages in Rheinland-Pfalz about the same time, the former Alsenborn-Ekenbach and the latter from Sembach. Submitted by Donald R. Yehling.

## YOUNG-LONG

Howard Burgess Young was born 09 April 1890, Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois and died 02 August 1964 in Benton, Illinois with burial in Maple Hill Cemetery, Sesser, Illinois. He married Daisy Bartlow 02 February 1912 in Sesser. The only child of Howard Burgess Young and Daisy Bartlow is Mildred Joella Young, born 01 September 1913 in Sesser. Mildred married Wayne Wright Fitzgerald, born 17 March 1908 and died 11 May 1965 in an automobile accident in Montgomery County, Illinois, while returning from his work as an Illinois State Representative. Mildred still lives in Sesser and is very active in community work.



*Mildred Young & Howard Young.*

Howard B. Young's parents were William Byrd Young and Anna Bell Long. William Byrd was born 15 December 1861 in Williamson Co., Illinois and died 11 December 1943 in Duddlestaus, Texas. Howard B.'s brothers and sisters were Nellie Young, who married Sidney Ballard first and second Oat Lewis, and Ardel Young.

Anna Bell Long was born 13 October 1863 in Perry County and died 04 June 1922 in Perry County. She married 24 December 1885. She was the daughter of Samuel Long, born about 1837 in Ohio and died in circa 1913 in Tamaroa, Perry County, Illinois, and Sarah Jane Witcher. Anna Bell Long's brothers and sister were: Charles Long (1861-after 1932) who married Viva J. ? in 1887; William Long (1869-?); Rhoda Long (1847-after 1932) who married Jack Marlow; Loretta (1875-after 1932) who married Alva Campbell; Rhetta

Mae (1877-?); and Edna (1880-1932) who married Alva Hambleman 03 October 1901. Ten children were born to Samuel Long and Sarah Jane Witcher, seven are listed. Six were living in 1900. Sarah Jane Witcher was born 11 April 1839 in Tennessee and died 25 April 1919 in Tamaroa, Illinois. She married Samuel Long 01 March 1859 in Perry County, Illinois.

Lacy K. Witcher(1810-1891) and Catherine Teel(1811-1874) were the parents of Sarah Jane Witcher. Both parents were born in Tennessee. Sarah's brothers and sisters are: Amanda (1835-before 1859) who married Jesse George 1855; Mary Ann (1837-before 1855) who married Jesse George in 1853; Edny (1842-?) who married Finas Milton in 1858; Gideon B. (1843-1968); Rhoda E. (1849-1893) who married Thomas M. Sams in 1885; William J. (1851?) who married Catherine Clemens; John M. (1853-1874) who married Emma C. Sands, daughter of Jesse Clemons Sands. These children were all born in Tennessee except the last two, William J. and John M. Witcher. Gideon B. and John M. buried in Lee Cemetery in Perry County, Illinois.

Booker Witcher and Sally (born about 1785 in North Carolina and died about 1850 Jackson County, Tennessee) were the parents of Lacy K. Witcher. Booker was born in 1784 in Ohio and died after 1850 in Jackson County, Tennessee and was the son of Daniel Witcher (born 1746 in Pittsylvania, Virginia) and Susanna Young Key (circa 1750-13 September 1818), was born in Amerst County, Virginia and died in Smith County, Tennessee. They married in 1767 in Virginia. Daniel Witcher died after 1815 and before 1845. He was a Revolutionary War Soldier.

Daisy Bartlow (19 May 1894-25 April 1974) was the daughter of John Bioletti (name changed to Bartlow) and Lida Bowlin (circa 1872-01 January 1936). Lida Bowlin was the daughter of Richard Ray Bowlin and Elizabeth Schneider/Snyder (18 March 1858-17 April 1923) and great granddaughter of Powhattan Bolwin and Ann Taylor. The children of Lida Bowlin and John Bartlow (Bioletti) were: Daisy Bartlow (Howard Burgess Young), Pete Bartlow (1902-1957) married Mary Louise Petit—Mary living in Sesser in 1998; Tony Bartlow (1894-1965), married Blanch Boland. The son of Tony and Blanch Bartlow was Ardell Kent, who was born in St. Louis. Lida Bowlin Bartlow married second Cal Overturf in Buckner, Illinois. Their children are Bill, Sylvester and Woodrow Overturf.

The children of Richard Bowlin and Elizabeth Schneider, all born in Perry County: Lida who married John Bartlow and later Cal Overturf; Laura Bowlin, who married J.B. Kelly. Their children are Elizabeth, Mary (died at 2 years of age), Raymond, Nathan, Katherine, Carol, Wayne and Howard.

Emma Bowlin, who married Roy Kelley, son of Laura's husband and her step-son, had one son, Leslie, and three others who died in infancy.

Richard Ray Bowlin was born 25 September 1845 in Perry County, Illinois and died 01 January 1920 at his home in Du Quoin, Illinois. His wife, Elizabeth Bowlin, was born 18 March 1858 and died 17 April 1923 in Buckner, Illinois. Both are buried in IOOF Cemetery in Du Quoin, Illinois. Submitted by Mildred Fitzgerald.

## ZETTLER-GOLDMAN

George Zettler was born in 1835 in Speyer, Germany. He was the youngest of five sons born

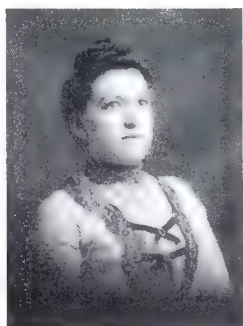


to Elias and Apolonin Schmitt Zettler. At the age of fourteen, George stowed away on a boat to the new county, nearly starving before reaching his destination. He settled near Waterloo, Illinois and worked as a farm laborer. On the 17<sup>th</sup> day of June in 1861, George enlisted in the service of the United States as a Private in Company F, commanded by Captain George Abbott, in the 22<sup>nd</sup> Volunteer Regiment, commanded by Colonel Henry Dougherty, mustering out of Belleville, Illinois. On the 7<sup>th</sup> day of November in 1861 at the Battle of Belmont, Missouri he was shot in the thigh and wounded, receiving a medical discharge on 3 March 1862. George returned to Monroe County where he bought a piece of land to farm.



*The Louis Bennett & Lizzie Zettler Rehms Family.*

George met Eva Katherine Goldman at a restaurant where she worked in Nashville, Illinois. Eva was born 17 September 1845 in Belleville, Illinois to Bartholomew and Eva Koehler Goldman. They were married 28 June 1864 at Saint Michael's Church, in Paderborn, Illinois.



*Pauline (Lena) Zettler.*

Shortly after their marriage, George and Eva sold their land in Monroe County and relocated to Washington County, buying land east of DuBois. Here they raised their family of nine children: John, Mary, George, Minnie, Lizzie, Frank Joseph, Catherine, Louis and Lena. Their children and some of their grandchildren attended the Kerry School.

John Zettler was born in 1864 and died as a teenager after running a race at a community gathering outside DuBois. George Zettler, Jr. was born in 1870 and died in 1874. It is believed that both are buried in the Kuhn Cemetery, north of DuBois.

Mary Zettler, was born 18 May 1868, married John Kohlaas from Percy, and died there 16 March 1952. There were no children born to this marriage.

Wilhelmina (Minnie) Zettler, born 17 October 1872 in DuBois married Patrick Joseph Silver in St. Louis in 1892. There were nine children born to this union. Minnie died 7 May 1956.

Elizabeth (Lizzie) Zettler, born in 1874, married Louis Bennett Rehms, the son of August and Matilda Ellermier Rehms, in St. Louis in 1897. Lizzie's sisters and their families visited the Rehms farm outside Venice, Illinois on many occasions. Louis and Lizzie Rehms raised six children.



*Lena and Catherine Zettler.*

Frank Joseph Zettler was born 20 October 1876. He married Katherine M. Bauer, daughter of Peter and Elizabeth Hopp Bauer. Frank Joseph and Katy remained in the DuBois/Tamaroa area. They raised ten children: Anna Mae (Moore), George, Paulina Louisa (Workman), Louis, Lizzie, Joe Joseph, Peter, Katherine (Harris), Minne (Moore) and John Ray.



*Minnie Zettler Silver.*

Catherine Anna Zettler, born 16 May 1882, married Francis Leo Walder, son of Patrick and Mary Ellen Green Walder. They made their home in Cairo, Alexander County, Illinois, where they raised six children. Louis Lawrence Zettler, born 10 August 1884, married Mary Margaret Ann Kenetski, daughter of Lawrence and Anna Bejma Kenetski. They also remained in the Washington/Perry County area and were the parents of three children: Catherine Margaret, Anna L. (Skurat) and Paul.



*Louis Lawrence & Mary Margaret Ann Kenetski Zettler.*

Paulina Zettler, born 25 May 1878 never married. "Lena" worked for several prominent families in St. Louis (Busch and Fruend) as a cook.



*Frank Joseph & Katy Bauer Zettler.*

George Zettler, Sr. was hit by a train and died 25 May 1908 and his wife Eva passed away 14 September 1917. They are buried together at St. Charles Cemetery outside DuBois. Many Zettler and Goldman relations still make Perry County their home.

## ZETTLER-KEELER

Father: Dale George Zettler, birth 05 October 1933. Dale George Zettler's parents were Joe Joseph Zettler, Jr. birth 19 April 1911, buried at Paradise Cemetery and Edith Bell (Harris) Zettler, birth 07 January 1914. They married 25 November 1930.

Mother: Betty Faye (Keller) Zettler, birth 01 January 1937, at Haxtun, Colorado. Betty Faye's parents were Warren Harry Keller, birth 13 September 1905, Tamaroa, Illinois, death 24 July 1979, Du Quoin, Illinois, buried in Sunset Memorial Park cemetery, Du Quoin, Illinois.

Albertha Violet (Brown) Keller, birth 09 December 1908, Hampton, Nebraska, death, 26 April 1982, Du Quoin, buried at Sunset Memorial Park Cemetery. The marriage of Warren and Albertha Keller was 21 July 1934 at Sidney, Nebraska, Cheyenne County.

Marriage of Dale George Zettler and Betty Faye (Keller) Zettler was 22 November 1954. Their children: Jerry Dale Zettler, Sr. birth 23 February 1956, Pauline Faye (Zettler) Gassel, birth 20 December 1957, Sherry Lee (Zettler) Gassel, birth 11 January 1959, Cynthia Lynn (Zettler) Bays, birth 05 October 1964. Adopted children: Jerry Dale Zettler, Jr., birth 11 December 1974, Tisha Faye Zettler, birth 12 February 1976, Bobby Joe Zettler, birth 12 October 1977.

Grandchildren of Dale and Betty (Keller) Zettler: Brittany Nicole Bays, birth 13 December 1988, and Matthew David Bays, birth 31 July 1994.

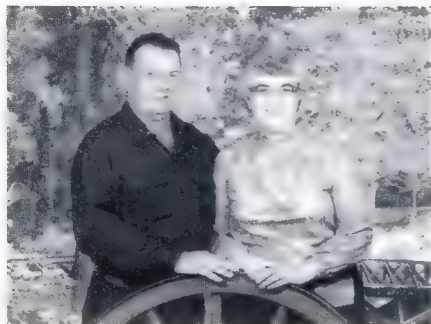
## ZETTLER-ROBERTS

George William, son of George and Elda Marie (Miller) Zettler, born in Du Bois, Illinois on 22 January 1928. He is the second son, has been a farmer, as a child, worked for William (Bill) Draege in the timber business. He worked for Arley Lemons a short time and at the Du Quoin State Fair Grounds in Du Quoin, Illinois. Then he worked for the Loda Poultry Company of Du Quoin, Illinois. Then, until retirement, he worked with his brother, Harold Dean Zettler, as a laborer for Zettler's Mine Timber. George retired in January 1991, since he keeps busy doing odd jobs. On 7 June 1952 he married Wilma Ilene Roberts, daughter of Joseph Benton and Dorothy Lucille (Rice) Roberts.

Wilma worked a short time at Smolar brothers in Herrin, Illinois and Forest City Sewing Factory.



Then in October of 1953, she started working at Marshall Browning Hospital, as a nurses aide. She became a licensed practical nurse on 4 May 1966. She is still employed at Marshall Browning Hospital full time.



*George & Wilma Zettler - 1983.*

On 8 June 1956, the Zettler's became the proud parents of a daughter, Deborah Rae Zettler. Deborah obtained her education in Du Quoin, Illinois and graduated from Du Quoin High School, also she obtained a diploma for medical receptionist and office assistant through a home study course. She started working at the age of sixteen years in the dietary department of Marshall Browning Hospital in Du Quoin, Illinois. Then she transferred to the nursing department as a nurses aide for a time and then trained into the ward clerks position. She presently is still employed at Marshall Browning Hospital in the admitting office on all shifts. Deborah's first marriage to Ronald Anthony Klammer, of DuBois, Illinois, the son of Enloe and Rose Klammer. Ronald has two children, Robert and Wesley, from a previous marriage. Deborah and Ronald are divorced. They had no children.



*Debbie & Ronnie Zettler - 1983.*

Deborah married Ralph Ray Draege, son of William (Bill) and Ruth Draege in March 1986. Ralph has a child by a previous marriage, Christine Lee Draege. Christine is in the United States Air Force and was married August 1997 to Theodore Driver, who is also in the United States Air Force, and they are presently stationed in Guam and living in an apartment off base. Deborah and Ralph have no children. Deborah has no children of her own.

On 19 November 1961 George and Wilma were proud parents of another son, Ronnie Dean Zettler. Ronnie was educated in Du Quoin schools. He worked for Zettler's Mine Timber of Scheller, Illinois until 1 January 1997. Then he bought an upholstery shop business from his uncle, Marion David and Aunt Betty (Knapp) Roberts, known as B & D Upholstery in Tamaroa, Illinois. The shop is now known as Paradise Prairie Upholstery and is operated by Ronnie, Carol (Jeannie) Hahn

and Lou Redetzke, all currently live in rural Tamaroa, Illinois.

Ronnie first married Pamela Lynn (Milligan) Paul. Pamela had a daughter, Danyel Lynn Paul whom Ronnie adopted. Ronnie and Pamela became the proud parents of a son, William Dean Zettler on 12 August 1982. Danyel attended Du Quoin and Chester Schools. William (Billy) also attended Du Quoin and Chester schools. William (Billy) is currently in Chester High School as a freshman. Ronnie and Pamela are divorced.

Ronnie married Christine Werebeki of Northern Illinois. She had three children by a previous marriage. Ronnie and Christina are now divorced; there were no children.

Ronnie is now engaged to Carol (Jeannie) Hahn. Ronnie and Jeannie now live in the Paradise Prairie area and run their Upholstery business with Jeannie's sister, Lou. Jeannie has three children, three grandchildren and two step-grandchildren.

George and Wilma bought their first home in 1962 and live on North Maple Street in Du Quoin, Illinois.

In 1989, George and Wilma bought Wilma's parents' home in Tamaroa, known as the Joe Roberts' home, as a rental. *Submitted by Wilma Ilene (Roberts) Zettler*

## ZOECKLER-HEAPE

Frank Henry Zoeckler was born 11 January 1893, and died 4 March 1979 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. His parents were William Conrad Zoeckler and Mary E. (Leckel) Zoeckler (10 October 1870-16 June 1963). They had seven children. They had triplets, but they died at birth.

Frank's paternal grandparents were Henry Conrad Zoeckler and Catherine (Beck) Zoeckler. They descended from Germany.



*Frank & Mayme Zoeckler (Heape).*

Frank had one brother, Otto Zoeckler, who married Edna (Jackson) Zoeckler. Frank also had two sisters. His first sister, Lydia Kate (Zoeckler) Marlow (26 March 1897-27 April 1989) married Rolla Seth Marlow. His second sister, Anna Elizabeth (Zoeckler) Pitchford (10 May 1909-4 April 1992) married Paul Arthur Pitchford.

Frank married Mayme Mae (Heape) Zoeckler 29 November 1916 in Pinckneyville, Illinois. Mayme was born 4 February 1895 and died 26 December 1972, at home.

Mayme's parents were Robert Loren Heape Jr. born 19 June 1857 and died 22 March 1917. He married Josephine (Wolfe) Heape (26 November 1860-8 July 1937). They had 10 children. They were married 6 December 1878.

Her paternal grandparents were Robert Loren Heape born 8 March 1817 in Pennsylvania and died 19 March 1891. He married Mary Polly (Rasbaugh) Heape. Robert and Mary moved to

Ohio in 1817 and in 1841, they moved to rural Tamaroa (Logan Thimmig farm) where Robert became a farmer. Mayme's maternal grandparents were David Wolfe and Sarah Wolfe.

Frank and Mayme moved to Tamaroa. A few years later their house on the farm was destroyed by fire. They continued to raise livestock and grow crops on the farm in rural Tamaroa.

Frank was employed as a coal miner until his retirement. He was also a member of the Christian Church of Tamaroa and served in the army during World War I. Mayme was a homemaker and a member of the Hope Rebekah Lodge 501, a Sunday school teacher at Missionary Baptist Church in Tamaroa where she was a member, and was a Perry County Election Judge in 1967.

Mayme had seven brothers and three sisters. Her first brother, Ossie Heape (4 June 1880-died in infancy). Her second brother, Raleigh Everett Heape (born 27 July 1882 and died 10 December 1950) married Erna E. (Clampet) Heape. Raleigh was a farmer. Her third brother, Harry Herbert Heape (born 13 August 1886 and died 23 September 1951) married Mary (Jackson) Heape. Harry was a coal miner and a farmer. Her fourth brother, Vallie Ernest Heape (born 17 August 1888 and died 4 December 1944) married Emma Leona (Keith) Heape. Her fifth brother, Albert Theodore Heape (born 2 February 1893) married Edith Fern (Hester) Heape. Her sixth brother George Franklin Heape (2 March 1899-10 January 1964). He was a retired coal miner. He married Bertha (Prow) Heape. Her seventh brother, Guy Schrade Heape (12 December 1903-25 July 1994). He was a retired coal miner and carpenter. He married Bertie Blanch (Sheriff) Heape. Mayme's first sister was born and died 6 May 1881. Her second sister, Mary Mabel (Heape) Manis (Born 17 August 1890 and died 18 September 1925), married Clive Manis. Her third sister, Nellie Marie (Heape) Blakely (20 December 1900-25 March 1967), married James R. Blakely.

Frank and Mayme had two sons. Their first son Loren Robert Zoeckler (15 December 1917-12 March 1997), married Mary Frances (McCollum) Zoeckler and they reside in Tamaroa. They have six children, Phyllis Zoeckler, Robert Zoeckler, Judy (Zoeckler) Crawford, Charles Zoeckler, Lorna (Zoeckler) Siefert, and Rebecca Zoeckler. (See Zoeckler-McCollum history.)

Their second son, Orval William McCollum, was born 9 October 1919 and died 28 June 1992. Orval attended a one-room school (Upper Arm-District 30) in Tamaroa. He graduated from Pinckneyville Community High School in 1938. He married Alice (Stephens)(Zoeckler) Campbell and they divorced. They had two sons. Their first son, Thomas Frank Zoeckler, was born 20 March 1947. He graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1965. He was a veteran of the United States Air Force and served in Vietnam. Their second son, William "Bill" Bann Zoeckler, was born 24 June 1949. He graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1967. Tom and Bill reside in Tamaroa, Illinois. Orval married Catherine (Pryor)(Woodside) Zoeckler. They resided in Pawnee, Illinois. Orval was a veteran in the United States Army during World War II. He was a retired machine operator for Peabody Coal Mine.

## ZOECKLER-MC COLLUM

Loren Robert Zoeckler was born 15 December 1917 at his parents home in rural



Tamaroa and died 12 March 1997. His parents were Frank Henry Zoeckler and Mayme Mae (Heape) Zoeckler and they resided in Tamaroa, Illinois. Loren had one brother, Orval William Zoeckler, who resided in Pawnee, Illinois and died in 1992.

Loren's paternal grandparents were William Henry Zoeckler and Mary E. (Leckle) Zoeckler. His maternal grandparents were Robert Loren Heape Jr. and Josephine (Wolfe) Heape.

Loren married Mary Frances McCollum in a single ceremony at the home of Reverend and Mrs. Kaufman on 04 August 1943 in Du Quoin and they reside in Tamaroa, Illinois. Mary was born 01 October 1921. Her parents were William Harry McCollum and Rachel (Halstead) McCollum.

Mary's paternal grandparents were Marion McCollum and Ida (Fallon) McCollum. Her maternal grandparents were Thomas Halstead and Sara (Cattan)(Halstead) Cotton. Thomas and Sara came over from England.



*Loren & Mary Zoeckler -McCollum.*

Mary had two sisters, Sarah Lynn McCollum (who died at a young age) and Delores (McCollum) Kaufman of Modesto, Illinois. She also had three brothers, Marion McCollum of Du Quoin, Albert McCollum of Belvidere, Illinois and Harry McCollum of Du Quoin.

Loren attended a one-room school (Upper Arm—District 30) in rural Tamaroa. He went there until his senior year. In 1936 he graduated from Du Quoin High School. He was a veteran of the United States Army during World War II stationed in Hawaii and the Pacific Islands (Peleliu).

Loren worked for Blue Bell Packing Company in Du quoin, Illinois where he was employed as a truck driver for 34 years. Later he was employed at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale, Illinois as a storekeeper for 13 years and retired in 1994. He was also a part-time farmer on his farm three miles west of Tamaroa where he raised livestock and grew field crops. He was a skilled and licensed carpenter and a member of the carpenters Local Union 636. Through the years he served as a board member for the Tamaroa High School, District 102. He was also a member of the Missionary (First) Baptist Church in Tamaroa, Illinois.

Mary attended Wheatley and Ward Schools in Du Quoin. She graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1940. She worked for the Du Quoin telephone office as a telephone operator for four years. Occasionally, before marriage, during the holidays she worked at Economy Variety and F.W. Woolworth store in Du Quoin, Illinois. After marriage she became a full-time homemaker. She is a member of the United Methodist Church in Du Quoin, Illinois.

Loren and Mary have six children: Their first child: Phyllis Jean Zoeckler, was born on 6 September 1946. In 1952, she had polio that left her disabled. She resides in Tamaroa, Illinois. She attended Tamaroa Grade School and graduated from Tamaroa High School in 1965. She worked for Southern Illinois University in Carbondale as a personal assistant for 23 years.

Their second child, Robert William Zoeckler, was born 11 October 1948. He attended Tamaroa grade School and graduated from Tamaroa High School in 1966. Robert was employed as a coal miner for several years. He is currently at Southern Illinois University in Carbondale as a maintenance laborer. He is a veteran of the United States Marine Corps and served in Vietnam from August 1969 to February 1971. On 2 August 1967 Robert married Jean Ellen (Gerstenschlager) Zoeckler of Tamaroa in Elizabethtown, Illinois and they reside in Du Bois, Illinois. Jean was born 18 November 1950. She is a retail clerk at Boester's Shoe and Clothing Store in Nashville, Illinois. They have three sons. Their first son, Robert William Zoeckler Jr. was born 29 December 1969. He graduated from Nashville Community High School in 1987. He resides in Dongola and is employed as a state trooper for District 22 in Ullin, Illinois. Their second son, Rick Albert Zoeckler was born 22 April 1971. He graduated from Nashville Community High School in 1989. He married Melissa "Missy" (Morgan)(Chapman) Zoeckler on 11 April 1997 and they reside in Du Bois, Illinois. Melissa has a son Lucas Chapman. Rick is employed at Walgreens in Mt. Vernon, Illinois. Their third son, Scott Allen Zoeckler was born 16 August 1975. He graduated from Nashville Community High School in 1993. He resides in Pinckneyville and is employed at Universal Music and Video Distribution in Pinckneyville.

Their third child, Judy Lynn (Zoeckler) Crawford, was born 14 November 1953. She attended Tamaroa Grade School and graduated from Tamaroa High School in 1971. On 3 July 1975 she married Jack R. Crawford (in Du Quoin) and they reside in Du Quoin, Illinois. Jack was born 5 July 1953. Jack is employed at Illinois Power in Sparta as a substation electrician. Judy is employed at Kroger in Du Quoin as a customer service clerk. They have three children. Their first child: Jon Patrick Crawford was born 31

October 1978. He graduated from Du Quoin High School in 1997. Their second child, Todd Ross Crawford was born 23 July 1982. Their third child, Arielle Rachelle Crawford was born 8 February 1992.

Their fourth child, Charles Edward "Chuck" Zoeckler was born on 5 June 1956. He attended Tamaroa Grade School and Graduated from Tamaroa High School 1974. One 7 June 1975 he married Pamela (Chapman)(Zoeckler) Hester and they divorced in 1982. Pam previously had two sons. Chuck and Pam have two daughters. Their first daughter, Tara Lynn (Zoeckler) Williamson was born 18 November 1975. She graduated from Elverado High School, Elkhart, Illinois in 1994. Tara married Matthew Williamson and they reside in Marion. They have one daughter, Saharra Lynn Williamson born 23 July 1997. Chuck and Pam's second daughter, Millie Jo Zoeckler was born 2 October 1979. She graduated from Elverado High School, Elkhart, Illinois in 1997. On 2 July 1988, Chuck married (2) Julie (Gibson) (Szczepkowski) Zoeckler in Sunfield and they reside in Tamaroa. Chuck is employed at Wonder Bread in Marion, Illinois as an order processor. He is a part-time farmer where he raises livestock and grows field crops. Julie is employed at Casey's General Store as an area supervisor. Julie previously had two sons and one daughter. Her daughter, Jill Szczepkowski Zoeckler has one daughter, Breanna Jay Zoeckler, born 3 July 1996.

Their fifth child, Lorna Kay Siefert was born 6 August 1960. She attended Tamaroa Grade School and graduated from Tamaroa High School in 1978. She married Charles S. "Chuck" Siefert on 19 August 1978 and they reside in Tamaroa, Illinois. Lorna is employed at Universal Music and Video Distribution in Pinckneyville, Illinois as a shipper. Chuck is employed at Cambridge Industries Inc. in Centralia, Illinois as a United Auto foreman. Chuck and Lorna have eight children. Their first child, Charles Loren Siefert was born 2 November 1978. He graduated from Pinckneyville High School in 1996. Their second child, Craig Alan Siefert was born 17 July 1981. Their third child, Christopher Ryan "Chris" Siefert was born 5 September 1982. Their fourth child, Daniel Joseph "Danny" Siefert was born 17 June 1984. Their fifth child, Ashley Nicole Siefert was born 22 September 1985. Their sixth child, Derek Andrew Siefert was born 3 August 1990. Their seventh child, Michael Stephen was born 30 January 1994. Their eighth child, Mary Elizabeth Siefert was born 14 October 1997.

Their sixth child, Rebecca Jo "Jody" Zoeckler was born 28 June 1962. She attended Tamaroa Grade School and graduated from Tamaroa High School in 1981. She is employed at Universal Music and Video Distribution in Pinckneyville, Illinois as a shipper.



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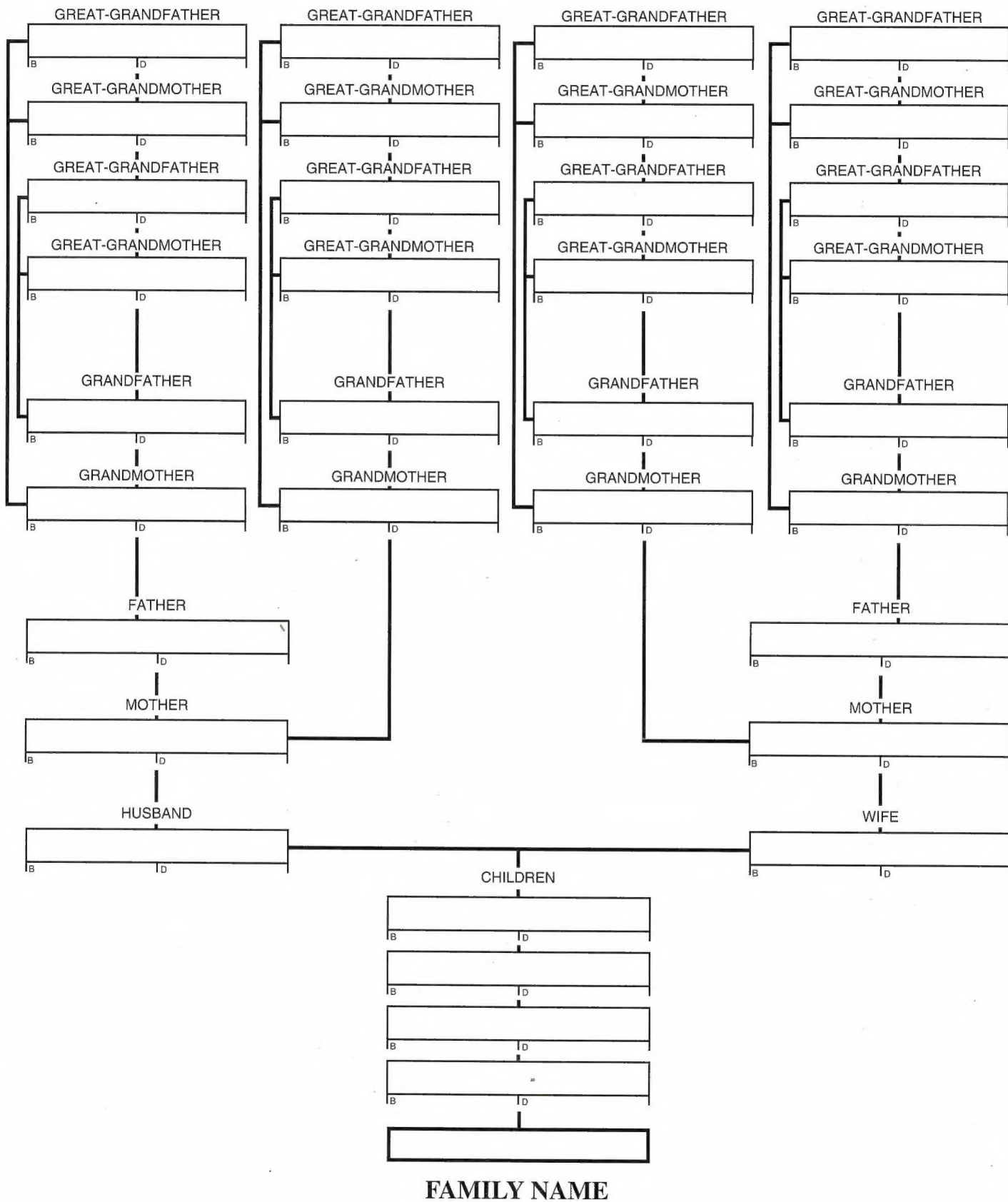
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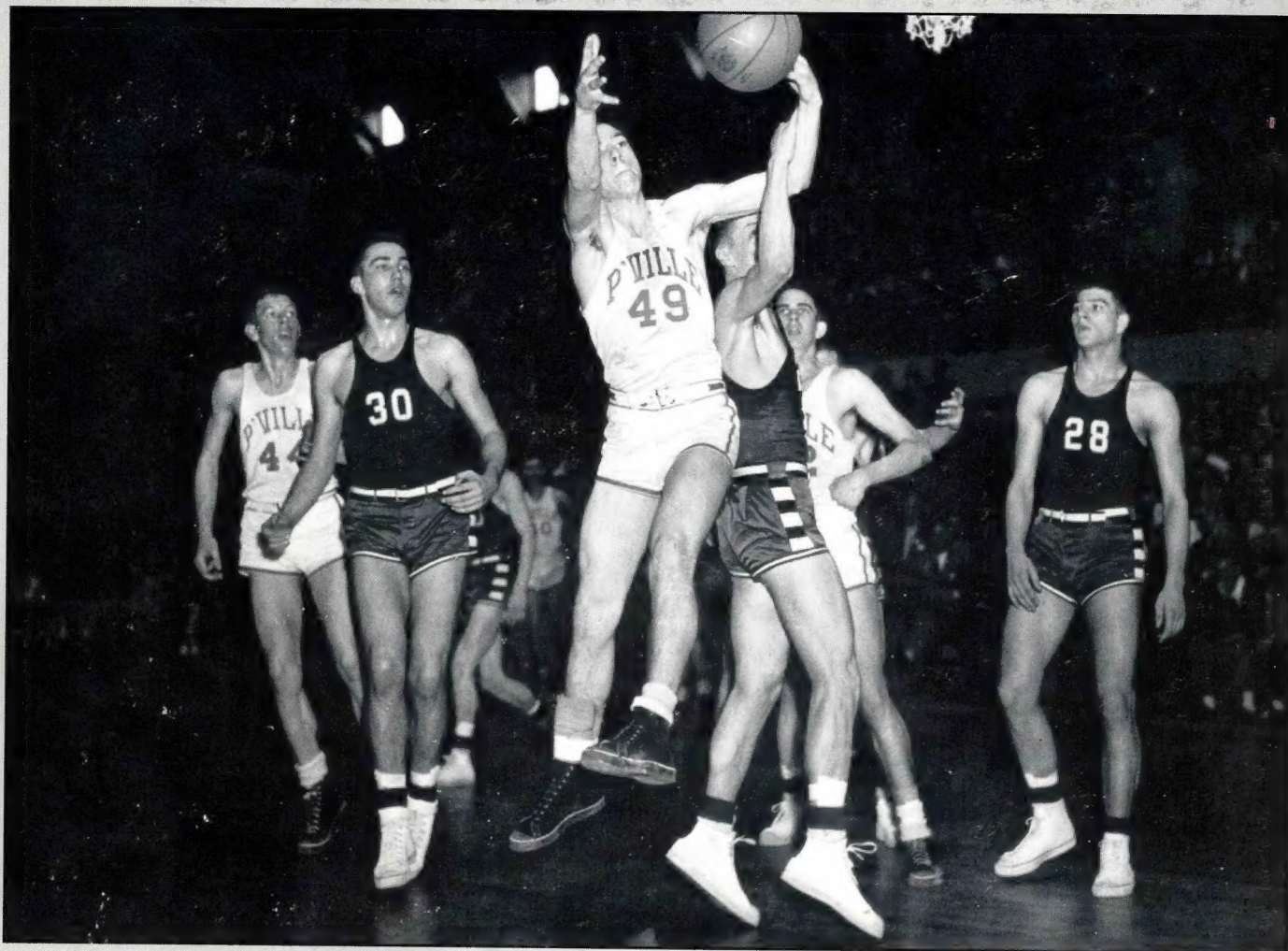


Students who attended Tamaroa School in 1922.



Blakeslee Mfg. Co. of Du Quoin.





Pinckneyville Community High School "1948 Illinois State Champs." The championship team observed their 50th Anniversary this past year. Players in white suits, Tom Millikin #44, Percy Clippard #49 and David Davis in background.



Capitol Theatre on S. Walnut St., Pinckneyville, circa 1948.